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Shots Fired By Crazed Corsican Through Window of His House

MARK NARROWLY MISSED

Assailant Declares His Aim Was to Secure Justice for Himself

Paris, Dec. 31.—An attempt to shoot Premier Clemenceau was made today by a Corsican named Benedetti, who fired at him while he was seated at a window of his house.

None of the shots struck the premier. M. Clemenceau, however, had a narrow escape. He was seated beside the window, through which crashed two bullets from Benedetti's pistol. At the sound of the firing M. Clemenceau arose and opened the window. In the street an excited individual brandishing a revolver and crying "Down with the tyrant; long live the republic!"

Just at this time the premier's footman, revolver in hand, rushed from the building and started towards Benedetti.

"Don't fire," shouted M. Clemenceau to the footman.

"Don't fire," yelled the Corsican; "I have thrown away my gun."

Benedetti then submitted to arrest.

He claimed he was aggrieved at M. Clemenceau, who, as minister of the interior, had refused him permission to launch a lottery scheme. In all, the man fired five shots at M. Clemenceau's window.

Like the assailants of President Fallières and Major Dreyfus, Benedetti characterized his act as merely a "gesture" designed to procure justice for himself.

Vankleek Hill's First Mayor.

Vankleek Hill, Ont., Dec. 31.—John Shields, Vankleek Hill's first mayor, is dead, aged 88 years.

No Canadians in Earthquake

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Earl Grey has received a cable from the British ambassador to Rome, stating that there is no record of Canadians there.

Toronto Givs Aid.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—The board of control today voted \$5,000 to the earthquake sufferers in Italy. It was decided to open a subscription list, to which citizens will be asked to contribute.

Death of Mrs. Englehart.

Toronto, Dec. 31.—Mrs. Englehart, wife of J. J. Englehart, chairman of the Temiskaming and Northern Ontario Railway, died in the general hospital this morning. She had been in poor health for some years.

Ottawa Elections Expenses.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier's expenses at the Ottawa election, with those of his running mate, H. B. McGovern, were \$4,378.60, while those of the opposing Conservatives, Dr. Chabot and T. Birkett, were \$4,059.

Customs Receipts.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—The customs returns of the Dominion for December show receipts of \$3,875,090, as compared with \$4,093,066 for the same month a year ago, a decrease of \$217,976. This is the smallest comparative decrease since the depression set in.

C. P. R. Train Accident

Winnipeg, Dec. 31.—Passenger train No. 91 met with an accident at Galt Lake last evening. The dining and tourist cars left the track and rolled down a 25 foot embankment. One man was killed, Chas. Tauby, aged 49, of Omaha, Neb., en route to Vancouver. Miss. Dewar, of Pembroke, Ont., was injured. The cause of the accident was a broken rail.

NEWS SUMMARY

1—Attempt to kill French premier. Sicilian city total ruin. Islands destroyed by earthquake.

2—Pleasing dance at Driad hotel. System lacking in local public work.

3—New land registry for Prince Rupert. Tranquille patients are given good time. Victorians hail the New Year's coming.

4—Editorial.

5—Henry Young & Co.'s ad.

6—News of the city. Obituary notices. The weather. Tide table. The mails, when closed, when due.

7—The Dominion government should build roads. Will give pensions to school teachers. Building operations brisk during the year. Head tax paid by many Chinese.

8—In woman's realm.

9—Sporting news.

10—Marine news.

11—Social and personal. Congregations bid old year farewell.

12—Real estate advertisements.

13—Real estate advertisements.

14—Note and comment. Forty years ago. About people. British opinion. Guests at the city hotels.

15—B. Williams & Co.'s ad.

16—Classified want ads and real estate ads.

17—Financial and commercial. The local markets. Amusements.

18—David Spencer Limited's ad.

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The list of invited guests, the majority of whom were present, is as follows:

Premier and Mrs. McBride, Capt. and Mrs. John Irving, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Simony, Major and Mrs. Currie, Dr. and Mrs. Kissimillie, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tasse, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. Hogg and party, Mr. and Mrs. Carew Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. James, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Langley, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Vincent, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Rattenbury, Mrs. Bald, Col. and Mrs. Worshop, H. McKay and party, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Goward, Mr. and Miss Cayser, Mr. and Madame Parizeau, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. C. Grant, Mrs. James Raymure, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. McConan, Mr. and Mrs. P. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett, Madame de Kerpezdron, Dr. and Mrs. Minne, Mr. and Mrs. A. Griffiths, Mr. and Mrs. H. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. and the Misses Lugrin, Mrs. Nathaniel Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Worlock, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Church, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Reynolds, Mr. and Mrs. H. Russell, Dr. and Mrs. Holden, Mr. F. Duffield and party, Claude Peppett, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McLean, Mr. Wilson, Capt. Holman, H. B. Jackson and party, W. H. Gardner and party, Charles Laing and party, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Carlin, G. Pauline and party, C. Flitton, Mr. and Mrs. G. Adams, H. C. Bennett, H. Hart and party, Miss McGillray, Miss Butler, L. A. Wattlett and party, F. C. Clarke and party, Mr. Ridgman, A. George and party, E. C. Heath and party, Mr. Frame, W. W. Guine and party, C. F. Gardiner and party, John Clarke and party, A. S. Bain and party, E. M. McConan and party, L. J. Peake and party, J. N. Hibben and party, W. S. Adams and party, E. E. Heath and party, W. Laing and party, J. M. Hughes and party, G. G. Fraser and party, F. H. Schnoter and party, H. M. Dobie and party, Charles Richards and party, G. W. Mitchell and party, Thomas Lumsden and party, J. Musgrave and party, C. J. Doran and party, H. W. Fraser and party, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Lalng, W. G. Lemon and party, W. E. Burris and party, Mr. and Mrs. Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. McCabe, Mr. F. W. Kastenbader and lady, J. Keeg and party, E. Rogers and party, V. Waran and party, F. Lins and party, E. Bywell and party, W. H. Morris and party, R. Power and party, Mr. Harold and Miss Pope, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. D. York, Mr. Elliott, J. A. Robb, Mr. Newell Copeland, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Elliott, the Misses McKenzie, A. McDermott, Miss Margaret Clay, Miss F. Ritchie, A. H. Lawder, Miss Edith Heater, J. N. Whitton, Mr. Jones and party, Mr. and Mrs. John Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hinton, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Tripp, A. T. Goward, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Page, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Dr. and Mrs. O. M. Jones, Miss B. Leeming, Mr. and Mrs. William Allen, Mr. and Mrs. W. Chambers, Ross Fullerton, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fullerton, Mr. and Mrs. R. Jones, J. Byron, H. Russell, Mr. O'Sullivan, Geo. Henwood, Dick Angus, E. A. Harvey, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Parkinson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Macpherson, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Lamont, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Greenfield, G. H. Dawson, R. Adamson, F. M. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Courtney, Mr. Courtney, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. Van Wyck, Miss Mason, Mr. Warwicker, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Leiser, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Fraser, Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Baker, Dr. and Mrs. Mrs. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. Brenton Brown, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Burke, Mr. and Mrs. P. Donelly, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Dewar, G. Mather, W. G. Mackenzie, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Drummond, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. McLean and party, Charles D. Julian, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Stevens, F. C. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shain, Mr. and Mrs. S. Conway and Mr. Conway Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Max Leiser, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mr. and Mrs. L. Pither, B. M. Humble, Mr. and Mrs. F. Breeze, J. H. Kilmer, A. Brignell, Mr. and Mrs. J. Sheasgreen, A. E. Shelton, Mr. and Mrs. Keith, Mr. Weart and party, H. J. Wade and party, J. J. Blinn, B. W. Bally, C. A. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Burdick, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Young, Capt. T. O. Griffen, Capt. P. Hickey, Capt. R. Hunter, H. F. Bishop, L. D. Chetham, L. Smith, S. Stewart, S. Porter, Capt. Townsend, S. W. Edwards, W. Burns, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. H. Cooper, Dr. and Mrs. Dier, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rolston, Mr. Brauner, G. Beattie, George Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. G. Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. S. Cameron, Mr. G. Kolts, T. Barlow, D. D. McPhale, Mr. Westonhall, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Muller, Mrs. A. W. Smith, Miss Holt, James Wood, James Shadforth, Capt. Brownrigg, Miss Finlayson, Miss Parshall, Mr. Duncan and party, F. Smith and party, Mr. Goggin and party, Mr. G. O. Hamlin and party, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Morrison, Dr. G. H. Hall, James Anderson, G. T. Temple, B. M. Johnson and party, G. C. Howell and party, G. A. Gardner, B. Nason and party, J. H. Renfrew and party, S. P. Moody and party, A. H. Harley and party, C. H. Cunliffe and party, J. M. Robertson and party, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Howson, C. B. Lowry and party, H. P. Sweeny and party, P. O. Dickenson and party, W. P. Bassett and party, and many others.

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SYSTEM LACKING IN LOCAL PUBLIC WORK

Mayor and Aldermen Decide to Investigate—Officials Meet Council Friday

An evening could be devoted to a discussion of nothing else than our public works. There is something wrong with the system, or rather there is no system employed as far as one can see. Thus spoke Alderman W. G. Cameron towards the close of yesterday afternoon's meeting of the City Council. The question once introduced, a heated debate ensued, the outcome of which was the decision to call before them the heads of the Waterworks and Engineering departments together with the street and road superintendents, and all those who are employed as foremen by the corporation. This meeting will take place next Friday evening.

Before giving expression to the emphatic statement quoted above Alderman Cameron told of an instance of mismanagement which had come to his knowledge. A wagon load of coarse macadam had been dumped on road in his ward and left without any filling or levelling. The condition of the street now was deplorable. He ventured to say that an automobile tire would be torn to pieces in passing over it. He concluded by declaring that there was trouble somewhere. As far as could be seen there was no system. The responsibility for the repairing of roads lay on somebody's shoulders, and he thought that an entire evening could be profitably employed in discussing out this question and in endeavoring to arrive at some understanding which would ensure better results in the future.

Respective Duties.

The respective duties of the Water Commissioner and the City Engineer were discussed. Having full charge of the redistribution system work it was alleged that the former was largely responsible for the condition in which the streets were left. Ald. Henderson averred, that in his opinion the work of repairing the roads, after the laying of the pipes, should have remained under the direct supervision of the City Engineer. It was remarked by another that there always had been friction between the two departments and that the sooner it was probed the better.

What almost might be termed a chorus of assent was roused by the latter suggestion. Ald. Fullerton affirmed that the council was responsible. There was no evading the issue.

As representatives of the citizens, they would have to answer to those who

elected them. When he went before the people he would have to acknowledge that thing had not been going to his satisfaction. Ald. Gleeson informed the remark that he would have to adopt the same policy. Both agreed, however, that the only thing to be done was to bring the heads of the departments and their underlings together where it would be possible to obtain a thorough insight into what was going on, the methods pursued, and to learn whether there really was any attempt made to work out, in a methodical and thorough manner, the different projects in hand. Then it would be possible to ascertain whether the apparent confusion existing was but a necessary step towards the goal in view or only the result of jealousy, discord and disagreement between different officials or the heads of the various branches of public work who were in direct charge of the men. As stated this meeting will take place on Friday and it is hoped that, as a result, a plan will be developed whereby a better system may be introduced for the continuation of the work this year.

For License Reduction

Toronto, Dec. 31.—Nearly two thousand Sunday school scholars in sixty-one conveyances paraded the principal streets of Toronto yesterday as a demonstration in favor of license reduction. They were cheered by a large crowd.

Control of Sault Works

Toronto, Dec. 31.—A special despatch from Philadelphia says: Robert Fleming, of London and New York, is the purchaser of the Lake Superior Corporation securities from Philadelphia institutions. It is understood that Mr. Fleming, who is well known from his prominence in Reading, Texas Pacific and other re-organizations years ago, represents some very substantial English and Canadian capitalists, who now control the industry at Sault Ste.

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NEW LAND REGISTRY FOR PRINCE RUPERT

Queen Charlotte Islands Will Also Be Included in the New District

By an order-in-council signed yesterday, the provincial government has established a land registry at Prince Rupert and has defined the area over which it will have jurisdiction. Its boundaries, roughly speaking, are from the point where the northern boundary of the province touches the 124th meridian and thence following the line of the meridian to the 53rd parallel, and from there along the 53rd parallel to the coast. The line then travels up along the coast and along the western international boundary of the province to the northern boundary, and so to the point of beginning. The Queen Charlotte Islands have also been placed within the Prince Rupert land registry.

The territory thus defined includes the Fraser lake, Babine lake, Ootsa lake and Stuart lake districts, the southern boundary being slightly to the south of the Gardner canal, leaving Bella Coola still belonging to the Victoria registry.

W. E. Murritt, barrister, of Prince Rupert, has been appointed registrar and is now on his way down to Victoria. He will immediately assemble his staff and start in to transcribe the records of the local registry which have reference to his district, and it is hoped that the Prince Rupert land registry will be in shape for business by May 1. This will entail the building of a registry office at Prince Rupert which will be constructed on what is known as the government block, where the court house and the residence of the government agent are already situated.

TRANQUILLE PATIENTS ARE GIVEN GOOD TIME

Christmas Celebrations Held at the Anti-Tuberculosis Sanatorium

Those who have friends at the Tranquille Sanatorium will be gratified to learn that the patients were not overlooked at Christmas. Apart from what gifts may have been sent by private friends, the day was celebrated in proper style and the invalids seem to have spent a thoroughly enjoyable time. In a letter to Dr. Fagan, which is printed below, Dr. Irving, who is in charge of the institution, gives an account of the day's proceedings. He also incloses a copy of the menu of the Sunday dinner which is almost enough to make one wish one was a patient at Tranquille, especially around Christ-time. Starting with oysters on the half shell, and omitting no possible frills, the fortunate inmates appear to have travelled via stuffed roast turkey to English plum pudding. One is glad to learn on the authority of the doctor that no one was the worse for the occasion, and still more glad to see that those afflicted with the white man's plague should be afforded all the enjoyment which can be derived from the traditional observance of the greatest day of good cheer and goodwill to all men.

The Report

Dr. Irving's report follows:

Tranquille Sanatorium. Dr. C. J. Fagan, Secretary, B. C. Anti-Tuberculosis Society, Victoria, B. C. Dear Dr. Fagan, I take pleasure in submitting a report to you of how Christmas was spent at Tranquille.

First I wish to acknowledge with thanks the very acceptable Xmas gifts from yourself and Mrs. Fagan of candles, and several of the Christmas numbers of old country periodicals.

The Vancouver auxiliary, through Mrs. Plunkett, forwarded to us a 300 lb. hamper containing 24 dressing jackets for the patients, many magazines, and books games, candles, raisins, fancy biscuits, figs, dates, oranges, etc., etc., a splendid contribution.

A suggestion from us to the various merchants in Kamloops with whom we have accounts, that any little gift for the Christmas season would be acceptable found an enthusiastic response, and the contributions were as follows:

Stevens & Allan, grocers, one box holly; Hudson's Bay Co., one box Japanese oranges; Wilson Grocery Co., 10 lbs. nuts; Ramsay and Phillips, one box each cluster of raisins and figs; Smith Bros., decorators for Christmas tree, value \$15; J. L. Gordon, one writing desk for sitting room; N. S. Dalgleish, one splendid oak chair for sitting room.

Hon. Mr. Bowser sent our patient Mr. Turner, a box of B.C. oysters, the latter giving them over for general use.

On Christmas eve we held an entertainment and Christmas tree, express and mail parcels, with the local gifts totalling over 300.

Christmas Day celebration consisted of a dinner and an entertainment in the evening after supper, which included a minstrel show, songs by patients and friends from Kamloops, and the reading of a paper called the "Tranquille Tatler" edited by a committee of patients, which caused much enjoyment.

A copy of this paper is being kept for your perusal on your next visit. The patients have suffered no ill effects from the festivities, and many have expressed themselves as having had a most enjoyable time.

B. W. Irving, Medical Superintendent.

Surveyors Leave for Mainland

Mr. J. F. Templeton, of the firm of Gore & McGregor, with Mr. P. Landry, and a staff of assistants, went over last evening to take the steamer Cassandra from Vancouver. Timber surveys on the mainland coast and along the islands will keep them in the woods for a month or two.

The merrymakers brought horns, trumpets, cowbells, noisemakers of all sorts and kinds, of all manner and condition. One inventive mind concluded that the piece de resistance would be a flying explosion of firecrackers, and an automobile with a long chain of spluttering firecrackers with an occasional bomb sped rapidly adown Government street, leaving noises in its wake.

The confetti dealers reaped a harvest, also those who sold the more annoying ticklers, and the streets when daylight came were as if a varicolored snow had drifted deep. Youthful Victoria gay and with that freedom with which the New Year is usually welcomed, made merry by blowing horns, ringing bells, clamoring in every way that an inventive mind could suggest, while, as the paraders passed to and fro, laughing celebrants threw handfuls of confetti. Under foot, firecrackers spluttered and sparkled, in the roadway big bombs exploded with deafening noises, and there was noise on every hand.

It was jolly throng, a rollicking goodnatured crowd that had gathered to welcome with all the clangor it could make the prosperous New Year that was being born for Victoria.

At midnight the factory whistles blew, the deep-throated whistles of the steamers booted long, firebells and other bells clang'd noisily—and amid all the noise, all the glad celebration, 1909 was born.

Small-minded men regard faith as a theory; large-minded men use it as a practical working power to get things done and done right.—Ruskin.

The small courtesies sweeten life; the greater ennoble it.—Richter.

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Friday, January 1, 1909

A Happy New Year

1908.

The year which has just closed has been characterized by many important events. There has not for a long time been a twelvemonth, which has been so strongly marked by features indicating the direction and rapidity of human progress. We look back to the year 1825 with special interest, because it was then that George Stephenson opened the first freight and passenger railway and thereby inaugurated a new era in transportation, which has revolutionized civilization. The Stockton-Darlington line in its construction and equipment was only a suggestion of what we have since seen achieved in that field of invention and enterprise. In like manner we may speak of 1908 in regard to aerial navigation. The dirigible balloon and the flying machine have both been shown to be within the domain of practical transportation. As our grandfathers shook their heads doubtfully over Stephenson's "steam-kettle on wheels," so we may have our hesitation about believing in the possibility of using the air as a means of locomotion, but if the history of human endeavor teaches one thing more than another it is that when a beginning has been made in any particular direction the potential advance cannot be measured. The mechanical toy of 1907 was the practical machine of 1908, and it may become the commercial necessity of 1909. Regarded from the standpoint of today, from which it is of course impossible to see things in their proper perspective, it seems as though we ought to class the demonstration of the practicability of aerial navigation as the greatest legacy of the old year to mankind.

The year was a very stirring one in British politics. The attention of the people of the United Kingdom has been concentrated as never before upon a number and variety of important questions. The defence of the Kingdom, the licensing bill, the powers of the House of Lords, the old-age pension scheme, the woman suffrage movement, the sweeping Irish land-purchase project, tariff reform and other matters of moment have been before them in an acute form, and the tremendous problem of the government acquisition of the railways has loomed up above the political horizon. Those who think of the United Kingdom as conservative and non-progressive will have to concede that in respect to matters tending towards democracy that country leads the way. During the year an old problem has forced itself to the front in an aggravated form, namely, that presented by the army of the unemployed. This is always a serious matter, but the industrial depression and the increase in the population have made it infinitely more difficult to grapple with than ever before. Public relief and private charity seem unable to cope with it, and if 1908 has made nothing else clear, it has certainly demonstrated that the United Kingdom has a domestic and social question to deal with upon the solution of which one may say with confidence the whole future welfare of the nation depends. We are not disposed to belittle the magnitude of the other issues referred to, but these are relatively superficial. The vast increase in the number of people who are not, and apparently cannot under existing circumstances be made self-supporting, appears to us to present a vastly more difficult and vastly more important a problem than any other. It is a fundamental problem. Looking the last year over we feel that this is the one matter which it has, above all others, forced upon the consideration of the British people.

The general note from Over-seas Britain on this the first day of the New Year is: "All's Well." The past twelvemonth was marred by serious indications in India, but it also witnessed the Jubilee Message of the King-Emperor to the people of that great country, promising such a measure of self-government as is compatible with existing conditions. This appears to have relieved a situation, which might have proved perilous. If the new departure proves a success, 1908 will be a memorable year in the history of India. In South Africa the year witnessed the initiation of a scheme of confederation between the several British colonies, an experiment in statecraft without historical precedent, considering that only a few years ago two of these colonies were independent states and were annexed to the Empire as the result of a long and bitter war. Surely it has been a momentous year for British South Africa. In Australia and New Zea-

land the year was fairly prosperous and not specially eventful, and the same remark applies to the minor parts of the Empire. In Canada it has been a year of steady progress. There has been no single event in the Dominion which seems likely to make the year historic; but it has been a period of progress and expansion. It has taught Canadians a lesson of self-reliance. They have learned that their own country has within herself the essentials of national, industrial and financial solidity to a degree that the most sanguine hardly appreciated.

Looking at foreign lands we see much that is of interest, too much, indeed to present in a single article. The centre of political interest has been the Balkan peninsula, and events have transpired there which will of necessity produce a profound effect upon the history of Europe and possibly of a large part of Asia. The granting of a constitution by the Sultan of Turkey is a step of far-reaching importance. All indications are to the effect that it is likely to be attended with signal success, and if this proves to be the case, its influence will be felt all over Eastern Asia. If it is a failure, the days of Turkey as an independent power will soon come to an end. Notwithstanding the more critical events which have occurred in the valley of the Danube, we are disposed to look upon the granting of the Turkish constitution as the most important event of the year in that part of the world. The declaration of independence by Bulgaria is not of itself an incident of very general importance, nor is the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina by Austria-Hungary, but as forming a part of a wide movement which during the year found further expression in the action of the Cretons in cutting themselves adrift from the Ottoman Empire and joining with Greece, they disclose a condition of unsuspected activity in what we have come to speak of as the Near East. Things in the Balkan Peninsula can never be as they have been, and as the time in which a prolonged though inconspicuous movement became crystallized in results that may be very far-reaching in their character, the year 1908 will perhaps mark the beginning of a new epoch for that part of the world. During the year the cause of constitutional government in Russia has made a distinct advance, although as yet it has not gone very far. The movement is, however, in the right direction. Persia has been the scene of considerable disorder and the conflict between autocracy and democracy has been somewhat strenuous. The year closes without much change for the better. In China there is an approach towards constitutional government consequent upon the death of the Emperor and Dowager-Empress. A somewhat interesting and possibly important incident in the Chinese Empire is the deprivation of the Grand Lama of Tibet of all his political powers, which may be taken as the closing chapter of one of the most mysterious histories of modern times.

Germany has been in evidence to a marked degree during the year. At one time war with France seemed not improbable, but the tension was removed by the exercise of good judgment. The most interesting event in connection with Germany was the action of the Reichstag in insisting that there should be ministerial responsibility for the public utterances of the Kaiser. How much is implied in this it is much too soon to say, but as a step towards the curbing of autocracy in Europe it is very significant. The troubles in Morocco, which seemed likely at one time to become of international gravity, have been for the time, at least, disposed of with a change of rulers. The consummation of a friendly understanding between the United Kingdom and Russia and the strengthening of the entente cordiale with France by means of the Anglo-French Exhibition are of much importance. The passing of Castro and the establishment of a regime in Venezuela which will be on friendly terms with foreign powers, seem to constitute South America's principal contribution of international interest to the record of the year. In the United States events have moved forward on disturbed lines. The condition of business was unsatisfactory, but there has been a marked revival since the general election. The antagonism between the institutions of the country and Organized Labor has reached something closely resembling a crisis in the recent proceedings to punish labor leaders for contempt of court. The demand for tariff reform has acquired very considerable strength and the preliminary steps have been taken in that direction. There are some reasons to believe that the effect of the presidential election of 1908 may be the readjustment of party lines. Perhaps no event of the year has so impressed the people of the United States as the round-the-world voyage of the battleship fleet, which is now nearing completion. As a spectacular display of naval power it had no precedent, nor that greater fleets have not been assembled on many occasions, but this is the first time in history that what is practically the whole naval fighting force of a nation has been sent away from its own coasts on a tour of the world.

The death roll of the year contains a number of eminent names. Among them are those of Kwang-Su, emperor of China, Tsu An, dowager-empress of China, Carlos I, and Crown Prince Luiz, of Portugal, who were assassinated; Grover Cleveland, formerly president of the United States; Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, prime

minister of the United Kingdom; the Duke of Devonshire, General Line-vitch, who commanded the Russian forces during the latter part of the war with Japan; Palma, the first president of Cuba; Sir Henri Joly de Lotbiniere, formerly Lieutenant-governor of British Columbia; Thomas Greenway, formerly premier of Manitoba; Louise de la Ramee (Ouida), novelist; Murat Halstead, journalist. Locally we have lost many of our pioneer residents during the year that has just closed. Never in a twelve-months were the ranks of these strong men and women so depleted as in 1908.

Until the record-breaking calamity, which befell Southern Italy and Sicily, 1908 had nothing to record in the way of disasters at all extraordinary in character. There were many forest fires in America and great loss of valuable timber. The Fernie disaster was a conspicuous feature of the year. There were many severe tornadoes and heavy floods in the United States, and severe storms in Australia and the Orient demanded a large toll of victims. There were some notable marine disasters, the most serious being the loss of the Duncan, with 52 persons, and the Talsh with 150 off the Japanese coast, and of the Sardinia, near Malta, with over 100 persons. There were a number of grave mining accidents, the two most serious being one in Manana, Pennsylvania, which cost 150 lives and one at Walgram, England, with 70 victims. Speaking generally, it may be said that, except for the terrific earthquake referred to, the record of the year in respect to serious calamities has not been at all exceptionally severe. That terrific event will, however, mark 1908 in the annals of mankind for a long time to come.

In our own city and province the year was one of general prosperity and progress. It witnessed the beginning of construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway, from the western terminus, or railway extension on Vancouver Island and considerable activity in railway building elsewhere in the province. We have already made so many references to the signs of development manifested on every hand that it is superfluous to recapitulate them here. In pursuance of the general idea upon which this summary has been based, we may say that the epochal feature of the year was the beginning of active settlement in what we call New British Columbia. The general verdict of business men is that the year has been a good one. The Dominion elections disturbed political conditions to some extent but on a general review of the situation one may say with confidence that the province, as a province, is in an admirable condition. Never in its history has a New Year dawned with brighter prospects, and it is with heartfelt thankfulness for the prosperity of the past and an assured hope for the province of the future that we wish Colonist readers and all sorts and conditions of men, women and children

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Santa Claus has "finished his work" for another twelve months.

Let 1909 stand for a Greater Victoria.

Mr. Balfour has inaugurated a campaign in England to revolutionize the relations of capital and labor, by bringing them into closer harmony. Every one will wish him the fullest possible measure of success.

The Aerial Navigation company, with headquarters in New York, has been organized with a capital of \$50,000,000. This looks decidedly like business. We suppose we will be looking upon the automobile as an old-fashioned means of locomotion.

Now that the holidays are practically over, we must all turn attention to the municipal campaign, which will be a short one. The New Year opens full of promise for Victoria, but to make the most of our opportunities we must see that the City Council is an efficient one.

Victorians gave the New Year a rousing welcome last night, albeit it was a rather noisy one. The crowds on the streets appeared to be full of hope for what 1909 holds in store—and they have excellent reason to be, for no other city in the world has brighter prospects.

Declaring that he will fight no more, Mr. Jeffries has refused an offer of \$50,000 to battle with Johnson, though the money would be paid to him no matter what the outcome of the combat. Mr. Jeffries, because of this, will hereafter stand much higher in the estimation of that part of the public which concerns itself with pugilists and their ways.

Great Britain's latest contribution to the cause of peace and goodwill is a gun 51½ feet long, which will discharge a projectile weighing 850 pounds, with sufficient velocity to penetrate 33 inches of wrought iron at a distance of 3,000 yards. This tremendous weapon seems to have rendered the construction of heavily armed ships very nearly useless. A single shot from it would send any vessel in the world to the bottom of the sea.

The Montreal Gazette put the case of the need for greater economy in federal expenditure very neatly when it said: "Mr. Pugsley, speaking for the Government, has told the people of New Brunswick that the condition of the finances will make it necessary to curtail expenditures on public works. Those who live on the taxes will have for a while to go moder-

ately, just like the people who pay the taxes. Both parties may profit by the situation."

The Toronto Mail and Empire publishes a startling story from its New York correspondent to the effect that a wholesale plan by international swindlers to work off in Canada and the United States spurious 1,000 franc notes of the Banque Nationale of Belgium has just been uncovered. It is alleged that money brokers in the chief cities in the United States have bought not less than \$400,000 worth of the bogus notes, which are described as the most skilfully executed counterfeits seen in years.

It is said that China is very sensitive on the subject of an equal diplomatic footing with Japan in her relations with foreign Powers, and the following press cable from Pekin would seem to point to the accuracy of this view: "The Foreign Board has received a cablegram from Tang Shao Yi, at Washington, saying that the Washington Government has responded favorably to the proposal made by China to raise the Chinese Legation at Washington to the rank of an Embassy. Tang Shao Yi is the Chinese official who is at present in the United States on a diplomatic mission from his Government."

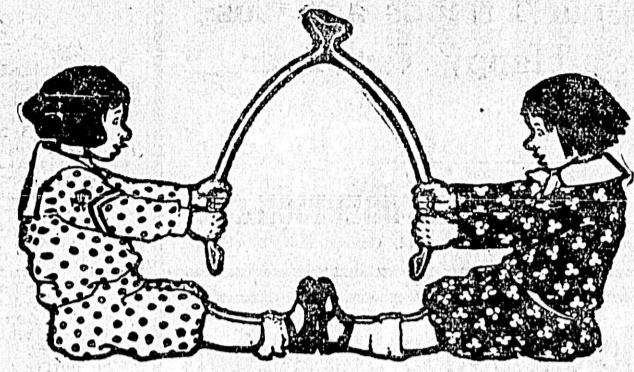
Exchanges from Columbia, Missouri, describe the impressive ceremonies attending the inauguration of President Ross Hill, of the University of Missouri, an event of special interest to all in the Dominion because of the fact that the gentleman mentioned is a Canadian. President Hill is, perhaps, the youngest man called to preside over one of the great Universities of the United States. He was born in Nova Scotia 39 years ago. His early education was received at Five Islands, Pictou Academy, and Dalhousie University. In the Universities of Cornell, Clark, Heidelberg, Berlin and Strassburg he pursued his studies. His first appointment was to the State Normal School in Wisconsin. Two years later, in 1897, he went to Nebraska University, then to Missouri in 1903, to Cornell as Dean of the College of Arts and Science in 1907, and back to Missouri as president in 1908.

We shall not disturb the feeling of good fellowship, which is general on New Year's Day by indulging in any political discussion. Our evening contemporary made some observations yesterday, which merit and will receive consideration, and we hope when we consider them, to do so in a manner that, without weakening the presentation of an important principle, will not give personal offence. The course which he has seen fit to take,—and we do not wish to be understood as suggesting that he had not a perfect right to take it—places Mr. Templeman in a very conspicuous position before the electors of British Columbia. That position ought in the public interest to be considered calmly, dispassionately and without the introduction of personal feelings. The political differences between Mr. Templeman and his newspaper on the one side and the Colonist on the other, do not extend beyond the realm of politics, nor prevent us from sincerely wishing them both a Happy New Year.

In an address before the Morayshire Farmers' Club a short time ago, Mr. George A. Ferguson, farmer, Surridge, near Elgin, Scotland, who was a member of the recent Agricultural Commission to Canada, related some of his experiences in the Dominion. In his concluding remarks Mr. Ferguson said Canada was a great country, a country of untold possibilities with its rich soil and superb climate. It was the land for the worker and for the man of ambition—above all, it was the land for Scotchmen who found their field too lean and too narrow. Scotchmen seemed to fit into the ways of Canada at once, and thought it a better home even than the one they had left: Canada could offer everything that the heart of many a hard-working father of a family desired. The strength of home ties compelled many a one to live miserably in the old country when by the same energy and application he could, with the better opportunities in Canada, live in comfort and security. With its great wealth of country and with its splendid organization, Canada would play a brilliant part in the world's history.

One of the important developments arising out of the construction of the large type of warships is that the docking accommodation is quite inadequate, and the British admiralty is shortly to spend large sums of money to cope with the needs of the situation. A London correspondent writes: "There is at present only one dock on the whole of the east coast which can accommodate a ship of the Dreadnought type, even under the most favorable conditions. This is the Stephenson Dock on the River Tyne, and even here in order to get the Dreadnought or any similar vessel into it would be necessary to remove all the coal and ammunition from the vessel. In order that this unsatisfactory state of things shall not continue for long the Admiralty has decided to develop the naval ports at the mouth of the Medway, and that river up to Chatham Dockyard is also to be dredged to a depth of thirty-two feet. A noteworthy feature of the scheme is the mooring of a floating dock in the Medway large enough to accommodate a vessel of 30,000 tons, while a wharf will be constructed on the river alongside of which three 600-foot ships will be able to lie at one time."

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While it is so pleasant to look backward, it is the future which most concerns us all—and what a glorious future is before this Western land and its peoples!

Prospects never were brighter, and Western optimism and the Western way are going to push this land to the front—and 1909 is going to see it take a great stride to that position. We are planning to keep pace—planning for a record year, this 1909. Everybody will prosper. Be an optimist—it helps.

Here is a "chestnut," yet—

Between the optimist and the pessimist,
There is always something droll;
The optimist sees the doughnut,
The pessimist sees the hole.

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Young's Sale

JANUARY 1909 JANUARY 1909

Commences at 8:30 Tomorrow Morning

Dress Goods

Black Fancy Striped Voile, for evening wear, 44 inch, regular \$1.40, for	\$5¢
Fancy Black Check Venetian, 47 in., reg. \$1.50, for	\$5¢
Crepoline, good for all purposes, 44 inch., regular \$1.00, for	.60¢
Fancy Black Grenadines, 42 in., reg. 75¢, for	.50¢
Very Fine Black Striped Voiles, 46 inch, regular \$2.00, for	\$1.25
Very Fine Black Check Voiles, 46 inch, regular \$2.00, for	\$1.25
Black Satin Striped Voiles, 44 inch, regular \$1.40, for	.85¢
Black Crepe de Chine, wool and silk, 46 inch, regular \$1.75, for	\$1.00
Fancy Invisible Check Voile, 45 in., reg. \$2.00, for	\$1.25
Black Taffeta Cloth, 44 in., reg. \$1.00, for	.60¢
All Wool Black Cashmere, 44 in., reg. 75¢, for	.50¢
Silk Embroidered Cashmere, 44 in., reg. \$1.00, for	.60¢
Black Venetian Cloth, 44 in., reg. 90¢, for	.55¢
Black Poplin, 42 in., reg. 75¢, for	.50¢
Fancy striped Black Voile, 42 in., reg. \$1.00, for	.60¢
Colored all wool Serges, 46 in., reg. \$1.25, for	.75¢
Heavy Diagonal Navy Serge, 52 in., reg. \$2.00 for	\$1.15
Green Venetian Suiting, 46 in., reg. \$1.00, for	.55¢
Fancy Lustres, in good colorings, 54 in., reg. \$1.50, for	.75¢
Fancy Tweeds, in new stripes and checks, 50 in., reg. \$1.00 and \$1.25, for	.80¢

During the first ten days of January all goods in the Dressgoods and Staple Departments not marked at Sale prices, will have a discount of 15 per cent.

Pure Wool Homespuns, several shades, including black, 54 inch, regular \$1.40, for	\$1.00
All Wool Fancy Striped Panamas, 54 inch, regular \$1.60, for	\$1.00
Fancy Panamas in suit lengths, 54 inch, regular \$1.75, for	\$1.00
Fine Fancy Suitings, broken checks and stripes, regular \$1.50 suit length, for	\$6.50
Fancy Suitings in satin stripes, 44 inch, regular \$1.50 for	.90¢
Checked Venetian Cloth, in grey and green only, regular \$1.50, for	.90¢
Tweeds for Children's Dresses and Ladies' Rainy Day Skirts, in good stripes, regular 75¢ and 90¢, for	.50¢
New Vandyke Stripes, in browns and greens only, regular \$1.50, for	.90¢
Colored Serges for Suits and Skirts, in browns, greens and blues, 54 inch, regular \$1.50, for	.90¢
Heavy Tweeds for Coats and Walking Skirts, 54 inch, regular \$1.50 and \$1.75, for	\$1.00
All our Exclusive Suit Lengths only one of each shade and design, are all marked down to January Sale Prices.	
Fancy Lustres, in light shades, for Waists and Children's Wear, 27 inch, regular 60¢, for	.40¢
Fancy Challies, good patterns, regular 40¢, for	.25¢
Fancy All Wool French Flannels, in spots and stripes, 27 inch, regular 60¢, for	.35¢
Plain French Flannel, light blue only, 27 inch, regular 50¢, for	.25¢
Fancy Nuns' Veiling for Blouses, silk embroidered spots, regular 75¢, for	.40¢
Fancy Striped Wool Voiles for Waists, regular \$1.00, for	.60¢

Staple Department

Dress Muslins

An assortment ranging from 25¢ to 45¢ yard, all marked down to, per yard, 10¢

Flannelettes, in a heavy quality in dark and light shades for warm Kimonos and Wrappers, 27 inch, regular 45¢, for	.30¢
Ceylon Flannels for Men's and Boys' Shirts and Ladies' Waists, good washing colors, regular 35¢, sale price	.20¢

Sheeting, Towels, Towellings, Table Linens, Napkins, Tablecloths, Plain Linens

All will be sold at a discount of 15 per cent. during first ten days of our January Sale.

Fancy Collars, Fancy Silk Belts, Motor Scarfs, All at Half Price



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Young's Sale

JANUARY 1909 JANUARY 1909

Commences at 8:30 Tomorrow Morning

Corsets

Children's Corset Waists, in drab and white, odd lines, clearing out at, per pair	.25¢
Children's Corset Waists, regular 80¢, sale price	.50¢
Children's Corset Waists, regular 60¢, sale price	.40¢
Ladies' Corset Waists, regular \$1.25, sale price	.75¢
Odd Lines of Crompton Corsets, regular prices from \$1.00 to \$1.25. All marked to, per pair	.50¢
American Lady Corsets, Mightybone, regular \$3.00 for	\$1.75
American Lady Corsets, No. 324, regular \$1.75 for	\$1.00
Ladies' Tape Girdles, regular 50¢ and 75¢, for, pair	.35¢
Ladies' Tape Girdles, regular \$1.25, for	.75¢

Whitewear

Cambric Corset Covers, tight back with fillet lace trimming	.30¢
Fine Cambric Corset Covers, tight fitting, embroidery trimmed, button front, extra good value	.45¢
Corset Covers, with tucked back, draw string around waist, embroidery yoke with embroidery in armholes and neck, sizes 32 to 42	.50¢
Ladies' Corset Covers, same as above, but trimmed with torchon insertion, beading and lace with ribbon	.60¢
Fine Cambric Corset Covers, insertion down front and ribbon to draw in, around neck	.65¢

Silks

Fancy Floral designs, regular \$1.25 yard, Polka Dot Silks regular 65¢, and an assortment of plain Peau de Soie Tamalines and other Silks from 50¢ to \$1.00 per yard, all to be put out at, per yard

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Lace Curtains

Good Nottingham Lace, 3 yds. long, special, pair	.90¢
Good Nottingham Lace, 3 1-4 yds. long, reg. \$1.50, Sale Price	.85¢
Good Nottingham Lace, 3 1-2 yds. long, regular \$4.35, Sale Price	\$1.20
Ladies' Black Net Waists, regular \$16.75, Sale \$11.00	\$3.60
Ladies' Colored Flannelette Waists, regular \$1.40 and \$1.85, Sale	\$3.75
Children's Knitted Norfolk Golfers, white, red and navy, regular \$2.25, Sale	\$3.85

Jaeger's Pure Wool Underwear for Ladies and Children, all to be sold One-Third less than marked prices

Good Nottingham Lace, 3 1-2 yds. long, regular \$5.00, Special Sale	\$4.15
Good Nottingham Lace, 3 1-2 yds. long, regular \$5.50, Special Sale	\$4.25
Good Nottingham Lace, 3 1-2 yds. long, regular \$6.00, Special Sale	\$5.10
Bobinet Ruffled Curtains, one pair only, reg. \$6.00 for	\$4.00
Irish Point Curtains, 3 pairs only, reg. \$5.50, sale	\$3.95
Irish Point Curtains, 1 pair only, reg. \$9.00, sale	\$6.00
Irish Point Curtains, 1 pair only, reg. \$12.50, sale	\$8.00
Irish Point Curtains, 2 pairs only, reg. \$6.75, sale	\$4.95
Irish Point Curtains, 1 pair only, reg. \$7.75, sale	\$4.50
Irish Point Curtains, 2 pairs only, reg. \$8.00, sale	\$5.00
Irish Point Curtains, 4 pairs only, reg. \$8.50, sale	\$5.75
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NEWS OF THE CITY

Mission Open Today.

The mission, Yates st., will be open all day today. Hot coffee will be provided and in the evening a concert will be held. All men, especially strangers are invited to be present.

Treated for Appendicitis.

Mrs. Llewellyn Woods, of Conox, was successfully treated for appendicitis in St. Joseph's hospital yesterday, the operating surgeon being Dr. O. M. Jones.

Card of Thanks

The sisters and nurses of St. Joseph's hospital desire to express through the Colonist their thanks to the many kind friends who sent Christmas presents.

Sea Green, Not Blue

The consignment of slates landed from the steamer Titan for use on the new Dunsmuir residence are sea green, not blue slates as stated yesterday. They are consigned to T. Catterall.

Service at Christ Church

Service will be held at 11 o'clock this morning in Christ church cathedral, when Bishop Perrin will deliver the address. The Communion service will be celebrated at 8 a.m.

A Good Ending

So far as the police court was concerned the old year went out with flying colors. Yesterday, the last day of the year, witnessed an absolutely clean docket, the magistrate qualifying for a pair of white gloves, which a thrifty corporation invariable fails to provide.

To Lecture on Egypt.

Egypt a country which he visited somewhat recently, is the subject of a lecture, which the Rev. C. E. Cooper, M.A., the rector of St. Saviour's Church, in Victoria West, will deliver before the members of the Anglican Young People's Association, in St. John's Hall on Wednesday evening next.

Meetings at Gospel Hall

The annual meetings for Christians will be held at Gospel Hall, Pandora street, today, Jan. 1, at 10 a.m., 2 and 4 p.m.; Saturday, Jan. 2, and 7 p.m.; Sunday, Jan. 3, 7 and 7 p.m. These meetings are open to all, and it is specially requested that all those who are interested in the study of scriptures will attend these meetings.

Knows What is Good

Dr. George Hall, brother of Mayor Hall, whilom mayor of Nelson and now M.P.P. for that constituency, has come to Victoria to live. He went to Nelson about twelve years ago and soon was in the enjoyment of a large medical practice. He can now live where he pleases, and has selected Victoria as his future place of abode.

Rainfall for Year

The rainfall for the past month of December was 4.88 inches, making a total of 26.77 for the year. The precipitation for the different months was as follows: January, 3.22; February, 4.32; March, 4.58; April, .63; May, 1.27; June, .09; July, .15; August, .67; September, .62; October, 2.33; November, .40; December, 4.88;

St. John's Church Social.

The Sunday School entertainment, with Christmas tree of the St. John's Church Sunday School, takes place in St. John's Hall on Tuesday evening next. First and second prizes will be given to members of each class and Father Christmas will in addition hand to every scholar a package of candies.

Prayers for Italy.

In view of the appalling catastrophe in Italy, which fills our hearts with sadness," said Mr. L. L. Bishop Perrin last evening; "it is only fitting that we should all unite in earnest prayer for the sufferers, and I venture to hope that in all the churches not only in this Diocese, but in all the churches in this city special prayers will be offered on Sunday next, as this is peculiarly one of those times when divided as we unfortunately are in our church organization, we can freely unite in proffering the full sympathy to those most unfortunate people."

Thanks for Remembrance.

The Motorists and Conductors of the B.C.E.R.Y. wish to thank the following gentlemen for their kindness in remembering them during Christmas and in return for their thoughtfulness and kindness they all join in wishing them A Happy and Prosperous New Year: Mr. Forrest Angus, of St. Charles st., cash; Messrs. Bullen Bros., of Esquimalt Rd., cash; Mr. C. A. Holland, of Rockland Ave., cheque; Mr. Henderson, Dominion Building Inspector, cash; Mr. A. T. Howard, Local Manager, cigars; Mr. How-Baker, George Rd., cigars; Mr. H. D. Helmcken, K.C., cigars; Mr. Dennis, Oak Bay Ave., cigars; Messrs. Wilkerson & Brown, Florist, cigars; Mr. Jenks, Head st., cigars; Mr. McMurdy, Head st., cigars; Mr. Benson, M.P.P., cigars; Mr. Barnacle, University School, cigars.

Entertainment at Y.M.C.A.

In the Y.M.C.A. auditorium this evening, Miss Nyland will sing the "Children's Home," by Cohen; Miss E. Scovcroft, "The Story of the Year"; Mr. Gerald Lane, and Miss Coeter, "My Folk," by Doris C. Lemon. Mrs. Gleason will recite, while Mrs. Evans and Mr. A. R. Dobson will contribute piano duet. Mr. H. Shandley will sing "The Stormy Petrel," by Rosedell, Capt. D. McIntosh, the chairman of literary committee, who will preside will present the prizes, which will have been won during the day. Mayor Hall's challenge cup, which must be won twice in succession, silver medals, first and second prizes, contributed by Mr. C. Wenger, and Mr. W. G. Findlay, the physical director, and a watch fob, the third prize, which is the gift of a member of the association, Mr. Brookshaw. The first medal goes with the Mayor's cup.

OBITUARY NOTICES



THE WEATHER

Meteorological office, Victoria, B.C., at 8 p.m., December 31, 1908:

SYNOPSIS.

An important high barometer area and cold wave move from the Yukon across this province to Montana, while on the coast of Vancouver Island and Washington state an easterly gale prevails and rain in California. The weather remains fine in the Prairies provinces with zero temperatures.

TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	35	49
Vancouver	26	37
New Westminster	28	36
Coquitlam	29	36
Delta	22 below 6 b	4 b
Atlin	22 below 14 b	14 b
Dawson, Y. T.	22 below 14 b	14 b
Calgary, Alta.	26 below 14 b	14 b
Winnipeg, Man.	26 below 6 b	6 b
Portland, Ore.	38	38
San Francisco, Cal.	42	56

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific Time) Friday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Northerly or easterly winds, chiefly cloudy with rain or sleet.

Lower Mainland: Winds mostly northerly or easterly, chiefly cloudy with rain or sleet.

THURSDAY.

	High	Low
Highest	40	35
Lowest	35	31
Mean	32	31

SUNSHINE, 12 MINUTES.

	Highest temperature	Lowest temperature	Total precipitation for the month
Highest	52.0	28.2	4.88
Lowest	39.8	28.2	4.88
Mean	40.4	30.0	4.88

Average amount 5.33 inches.

Total precipitation for 1908, 26.88 inches.

Eighty-eight sunshining 61 hours, 48 minutes; mean daily proportion 24; (constant sunshine being 1.)

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Close—Dec. 8, 15, 20, 30.

Due—Dec. 3, 10, 14, 19, 23, 28.

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Due—Dec. 18, 25.

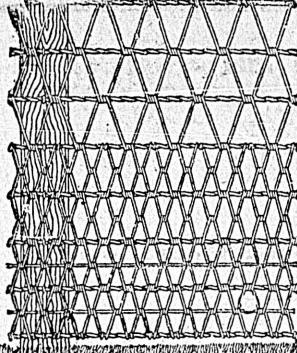
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DOMINION GOVERNMENT
SHOULD BUILD ROADS

J. K. Cornwall Gives Interesting Account of the Peace River District

"The Dominion government should put up the money to develop and render possible of access the three and a half million acres of land in the Peace river district which it has been granted by the province of British Columbia. This is the dictum of J. K. Cornwall, who has spent over fifteen years in that part of the country, first as fur trader and then as steamboat man. He now owns the steamers on the Athabasca, which are the only link of communication between the remote regions of the Peace river and Edmonton, the nearest city. Mr. Cornwall is a Liberal in politics, and this but makes more emphatic his dictum that the Dominion authorities do not realize the conditions prevailing in northern and north-eastern British Columbia or they would surely insist upon saddling upon this province the financial arrangements as at present.

Mr. Cornwall came down to the coast to get married, the ceremony being performed in Vancouver on Wednesday. He spent yesterday in the city en route for California, where the honeymoon will be spent. Discussing the Peace river district at the Empress yesterday afternoon, he said:

The Peace River Lands.

"I don't think that the people of British Columbia realize what a vast empire they possess in that country. There are about 50 million acres of good land in what is generally called the Peace river district, and the great bulk of it lies east of the Rockies. There are about 8 million acres of land on the prairie side of the range adjoining the province of Alberta. This is all good agricultural and grazing land with an excellent climate. It will grow wheat as well as Alberta, and the nearer you get to the Rockies the milder is the climate, as the Chinook winds have the more effect. At present this land is unsettled because it is inaccessible and also because British Columbia is not represented there in any way. Would-be settlers have no means of knowing where Alberta ends and British Columbia begins, or what land belongs to the Dominion and what to the province. The Dominion Surveyors are now mapping out blocks of land in the centre of this territory and are picking the best. The necessary roads and other facilities to enable settlers to go in there will cost the Dominion government should put up the money to develop the land. I am a Liberal in politics, but that is no reason why I should blind myself to what is right. The authorities at Ottawa have no conception of the conditions which exist or they would readily admit the fact. British Columbia is in an absolutely different position to any of the other Canadian provinces. Your fight for what you call Better Terms is perfectly justified, and it cannot be disputed by anyone who really knows what conditions are."

Need of Roads.

"There is agricultural land in millions of acres, coal in abundance, timber, fish, and varied mineral resources but they are valueless without means of transportation. An enormous sum of money is required for roads alone and the needs of northern British Columbia make any per capita method of computing the Dominion grant absolutely ridiculous to any who understand the comparative conditions prevailing in British Columbia and other provinces.

"The Peace river is a long grass country, and is the only ranching district left in Canada. In ordinary winter cattle and horses can scatter for themselves on the range. The country, however, is beginning to come to the front and surveyors for the Canadian Pacific, Canadian Northern and Grand Trunk were in the field last season looking for the best route into the country. I do not think there will be any difficulty about this as there are no great engineering difficulties to be overcome.

"The natural waterways are most important. The Mackenzie is navigable for 1,200 miles for steamers drawing seven feet of water. The Peace river, with the exception of one place, is navigable for 900 miles, and all told the Mackenzie and its tributaries are navigable for 3,600 miles only two breaks. At present the settlers prefer to go to the Alberta side of the line because the British Columbia territory is not surveyed and there is no government agent there, but it will not be long before all that country will be covered with farms and ranches.

His Life in the North—Mr. Cornwall is now in the steamboat business on the Athabasca, but for many years he was a fur trader in the Peace river country, selling out to a Parisian fur firm. He speaks the Indian languages as well as English, though he has the appearance of a man accustomed to civilization rather than frontier life. In his years of trading he has naturally acquired a close knowledge of the habits of the fur-bearing animals of the north, and has some interesting information to impart. When asked about the fur trade and the reported diminution of the fur-bearing animals he said:

"Of course the advance of settlement drives the fur further north, but otherwise the situation remains unchanged. The fur yield varies; some say the animals migrate, but I don't think they do. I think they gradually die out. For instance there is a rabbit comes and goes every seven years. I have driven for hundreds of miles and have not seen a sign of a rabbit, not even a track, but two years after, afterwards the same district would be teeming with them. They breed prodigiously fast, but when they get to a certain point an epidemic or some sort kills them off, probably from over-breeding. This has resulted in the more important fur-bearing animals. The lynx follows the rabbit. In a year when the rabbit is plentiful, 20,000 lynxes may be traded, the next year 1,000, and the next year none at all. In the same way with the coyotes, wolves and foxes. When the rabbits are plentiful the coyotes and wolves have no difficulty in rearing a full litter of pups, but when they are scarce many, and sometimes all, of them die. In fact the mother may be compelled to eat them. Then these animals prey upon one another when there is no other food, and so it results that when the rabbits go, the coyotes, wolves and foxes go too. The lynx also preys upon the martin, and so it is found the when rabbits and lynxes are plentiful the martin disappears. On the other

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A delegation of teachers, headed by the deputy minister of education, had an interview with the Hon. Dr. Young yesterday morning. The object of the delegation was to see if the teachers in the public schools would be able to share in the proposed pension system which is to be introduced at the forthcoming session in connection with the civil service bill introduced at the last session of the legislature.

The minister of education was able to assure the delegates that their case had been occupying his attention for some months, and that it was intended to enable the public school teachers to avail themselves of the privileges granted by the pension legislation.

The fact that the great proportion of the teachers, as is inevitable in a now country full of opportunities, do not take up teaching as a life work, but abandon it for other callings after a few years makes the problem harder of solution; but the necessary data is being accumulated and when the bill is brought down before the house it will be found that the teachers have not been forgotten.

Concerning the Buffalo.

Asked concerning the buffalo, Mr. Cornwall said:

"They are to be found between the Peace and the Great Slave rivers, or roughly, between latitudes 58 and 61. They are somewhat darker and a little smaller than the prairie buffalo, which is due to inbreeding as they certainly come from the same stock.

There are probably about 500 of them, and they just about hold their own.

There is a great controversy between the Inspector of the Northwest Mounted Police and Mr. Seton Thompson, as to why there are so few of them, though they both to some extent blame the Indians for killing them. I think they are both wrong, and that the only people who know are the Indians. From my knowledge of the country, I am satisfied that the Indians keep the law, and never kill the buffalo except when driven to by hunger. The Indians are law-abiding when kept away from whiskey. Every cattlemen knows that the wolf will watch for the cow which is about to calve and try to snatch the calf directly it is born. The buffalo is the same kind of animal as the cow, and the Indians say that the wolf does the same in their case, and for my part I quite believe them. They talk freely enough to me. Once the cow gets back to the herd with her new born calf, it is safe. The next period of danger comes when the calf is just weaned, and like all young things strays away from the herd and does a little jumping with his tail in the air. The wolf is always watching, and directly the calf does this and gets far enough away from the herd so that he can cut him out, he nips him. That is the end of the calf and that is the reason why the herd does not increase."

But the permits issued by the city do not tell the whole story of the growth of the city in this respect. In Oak Bay, Esquimalt and South Saanich, these sections immediately adjoining Victoria and which really form part of the city, the amount of building undertaken was larger than ever before. It is estimated that the value of buildings erected in Oak Bay during the year was \$80,000; in Saanich, \$40,000, and in Esquimalt \$50,000. These totals added to that for the city proper and to the value of the detention shed, additions to the post office and to Government house, no permits having to be taken out in these three cases, bring the total up to \$1,314,740, compared with a total a year ago of \$1,490,250. Just what the value of the work done under the head of repairs amounts to is not definitely known, but the building inspector states that \$100,000 will be a conservative estimate.

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another. On every hand have been

built handsome dwellings, while sev-

eral important commercial structures

have been erected or work thereon

commenced. These additions to the

city's buildings tell in the clearest

manner possible the story of Victoria's

great growth during the twelve

months just ended.

The monthly record for the year

showing the number of permits issued

and the aggregate value of the build-

ings erected was as follows:

Month	permits	value
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February	44	73,315
March	53	110,800
April	52	128,125
May	39	79,795</

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Lord Strathcona's English Residence

A recent number of The Bystander, London, contains a number of pictures of Knebworth House, the magnificent English country residence of Lord Strathcona. It is the Tudor home of the Lyttons, and is one of the stately, historic homes of England. In describing the beautiful old place The Bystander says:

Like many of the fine old mansions of England, Knebworth, at Stevenage, Hertfordshire, has been built upon the site of a once famous fortress.

In the days of the Norman Conquest that which is now so agreeable a home and park, was a stronghold, and a centre of warlike men. The Tudor house which followed was begun, when Henry VII, was king, by Sir Robert Lytton, and continued by his successors.

When Queen Elizabeth visited the family—an honor she must have conferred on many hundreds of her devoted subjects—Knebworth was a large quadrangular building. It is said that only one wing of that vast house was used in the construction of the present home of the Lyttons.

Many Elizabethan features and many additions by Inigo Jones and lesser architects of architecture and decoration have been added by the generations that have passed through Knebworth. The gardens especially have been greatly developed during the last century, and although many of them preserve the old-world character of the early days of Knebworth, but this is rather the result of that art which modern students of gardening find easy to bring to perfection. Most of our historic homes can boast on a pre-dominant figure which overshadows the line of great personages who have owned and passed on their heritage, and so it is with the home of the Lyttons.

In the case of Knebworth the man thinks of first is that hero of our early reading, the distinguished eccentric statesman, orator, and man of letters, who was created the first Baron Lytton—the Lytton Bulwer, son of the sole heiress and last descendant of the Lyttons, who became Bulwer Lytton, and loomed so largely in the world of fashion and of letters in the middle of the last century. It was here that Lord Lytton wrote many of his books, and the house and park are still filled with memories of the days of that once famous man. One is reminded, too, of his in some ways still more famous son, the gifted and picturesque "Owen Meredith," the first Earl of the name, who added a new page to the history of India, and graced diplomacy with his poetic aspirations.

As some enquiries have been made regarding the origin of the new C. P. R. steamer's name, and as the facts

In Woman's Realm

HERE AND THERE

In all times and in all countries New Year's Day has been observed as a time of rejoicing. It is felt that in some way or other we can on that day make a new beginning, that the old year with all its mistakes, its failures and its sins has passed away and that the new year is full of the promise of better things. A feeling of confidence and hope comes to almost all of us as hand clasps hand and we meet one another with "A Happy New Year." The very expression of the wish is a sign of its fulfillment. Whether we acknowledge it or not we are dependent on one another for that which makes life most worth living. Few men and fewer women are sufficient unto themselves. Women do not have many counterparts in our modern life. The light that comes from above must be reflected from some human heart before we can feel its glow or be touched by its warmth. If this is true it points the direction which our New Year's resolutions should take. Whatever else a woman does, whatever station she may occupy she can by simple unaffected kindness make the year a happier one for all around her. No task which a woman can set herself for the year that is coming, is more worth doing than this. In this spirit the writer wishes all the readers of this page

A HAPPY, HAPPY NEW YEAR.

are commonly not well known. It may be of general interest to state that the Princess Charlotte, whose name this steamer bears, was the only daughter and child of George the Fourth, and of the unfortunate Caroline of Brunswick. She was born on the 7th of January, 1796, at Carlton House, in London, and immediately after her birth her parents separated forever. A bright, lively and warm-tempered girl, the Princess was brought up in strict seclusion under the charge of various governesses and sub-governesses, seeing her father rarely, and her mother during two hours in each week.

She was engaged for six months to Prince William of Orange, but at her own instance she broke off the proposed match in June, 1814, in spite of her father's great anger; while it is speculated that if this marriage had actually occurred it might have been followed with as momentous consequences as succeeded the union of the Princess Mary, of the House of Stuart, to another and much more famous Prince William of Orange.

Upon the 2nd of May in 1816, she married Prince Leopold of Saxe-Coburg, but her wedded life, which was accounted happy, was cut short by her death on November the 5th in the year 1817, leaving no children, and the succession eventually went to the Princess Victoria.

TRIED RECIPES

Banana Custard.

Beat together the yolks of two eggs, a half-cup of sugar and a teaspoonful of cornstarch rubbed smooth in a little milk. Pour this mixture into a pint of boiling milk and cook, stirring it until it thickens. Slice four bananas into a pudding dish and pour this custard over them. Beat the whites of two eggs to a stiff froth with one teaspoonful of sugar, spread them over the custard and set in the oven long enough to brown.

A Rice and Fig Dessert.

Wash and pick over a cupful of rice and put it into a double boiler with a cup and a half each of milk and water. Boil until tender and thick and creamy. Into a small saucepan cut in small pieces a half-pound of ligs, add a cup of sugar and a cup of water. Cook slowly to a thick mass. Put the rice on a platter, put the fig sauce in the middle of the rice, and serve with rich cream.

Jellied Eels.

Skim and clean two large or three small eels, cut them in pieces and put in layers in a jar with a few pieces of butter on each layer and sprinkle each layer with salt and cayenne. Cover the jar closely and set it in a sauceman of boiling water. Keep the water boiling around it for two hours, then set the jar in a cool place for the jelly to get cold and firm.

Egg Chocolate.

Into a half-cup of cold water and a half-cup of milk mixed, beat two tea-spoonsful of chocolate. To do this turn all into a bowl and whip very light. Put into a saucepan, bring to a hard boil, beat again hard, sweeten to taste, and pour, beating steadily, upon one egg, whipped light. Serve at once. Flavor with vanilla if liked.

Rolls.

A little time spent in making rolls for breakfast or dinner always gains great appreciation from the household. This is easily done if a good recipe is at hand, and the oven heats rapidly. Sometimes, too, the rolls will bear reheating and be as good as when freshly made. This recipe is simple and excellent. Take two pounds of flour, a little salt, two ounces of lard or clarified beef dripping and two eggs beaten into two spoonfuls of yeast and a pint of warm milk. Knead the dough thoroughly and set it to rise near the fire. Then divide it into twelve or fourteen rolls, place on buttered baking sheets and set before the fire to rise to a proper size. Then bake in a steady oven for half an hour, and place on a stove till cooled.

SOME BRIDGE PLAYERS

The lady with the deprecatory smile, "I'm afraid," she says, "that I don't play a very good game." When you protest that you have heard of some of her brilliant plays, she smiles harder than ever, and declares that you are only saying that to reassure her. Afterwards, when she establishes the suit that your opponent led, after exhausting your trumps, and your looks betray you, she says sweetly: "There, I told you what I was, so you really mustn't look that way."

The lady who tempts. It is her play. She first looks at the dummy's hand. Then she goes over her own, then she selects a card, pulls it out and puts it back again. Then she says softly under her breath, "Oh, dear!"

Then she goes into a brown study, while her partner leans back, with his hands in his pockets and whistles softly to himself. Suddenly she starts up. "Now you know she's off. She speaks a card almost fiercely—and as fiercely puts it back. Again she speaks: "I only wish I knew." There is more silence. Finally with a timid smile, her hand slips gingerly out and lays on the table the one card that her opponents have been hoping and dreading that she would play, and her

tricks, as if she longed to show the world, by so doing, her own mastery. When the others lead and she catches them playing out of the wrong hand, she announces the fact as if the world was coming to an end and she was the only one who could stand it. She insists upon keeping the score. And if by any chance anyone else does it, she is constantly challenging the figures. And finally, when the play is over, and she settles back between the cards, she observes, with a metallic voice, "Well, we got all there was out of that hand, I'm sure."

The Post-Mortem. There is a momentary pause after the last trick has been taken and the scorers put

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THE JEWELERS

That beautiful gem, the garnet, is the birthstone for January, and it denotes constancy and fidelity in every engagement. According to the lapidary the garnet ranks fourth in the list of valuable gems, the rating being made according to the resistance to heat, each of which will puncture or cut the grade below it. The garnet falls in the same grade with the cornelian, carbuncle, onyx, sardonyx, heliotrope, chrysolite, hyacinthe and the cat's-eye.

January's gem is of a deep red color, very much resembling the ruby, but is not so valuable. There are also green, yellow, brown and black varieties of the garnet. Some very beautiful and valuable specimens have been found in North Carolina, Kentucky and other states, while the garnets of Arizona are unsurpassed in richness, equaling the famed garnets of Russia. In Elliott County, Ky., some very fine garnets have been yielded. Of all garnets the Syrian is the most esteemed, and, like all gems, it increases in value with its size, though there is no specific account of any garnets of historic interest of any great worth.

Have faith in truth, never in numbers. The great surge of numbers rolls up noiselessly and imposingly, but flattens on the shore, and slides back into the mud of oblivion. But a true opinion is the ocean itself, calm in its rest, eternal in its power.—Platt.

Lyon Tolstoi

Aylmer Maude, Tolstoi's latest biographer, puts an end to many legends about the famous Russian. He lives with his wife and family in a large and well-built house on an estate which was his and is now his wife's situated about 100 miles south of Moscow. Though the house is plainly furnished, everything in it is substantial, and it contains many signs of culture. Tolstoi comes down to breakfast between eight and nine, and then goes to his study to write undisturbed until after the rest of the family have had their lunch, when he comes out and has his vegetarian meal either by him-

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PROSPECTS VERY GLOOMY

Veteran Explains Why Expected Flight From North Has Not Materialized

With the closing of the open season for grouse and pheasants—for when the old year gave place to the new it became illegal to shoot either of these species of game—hunters are beginning to ruminate on the possibility of the geese and ducks, being plentiful during the next couple of months. Generally speaking they don't appear to be hopeful, although the heavy rains of the past few weeks have resulted in the formation of many more sloughs and miniature lakes than usual, all of which should assist in the attraction of the birds to the districts in the vicinity of Victoria. Up to the present, however, few have been noticed, and therefore those fond of the chase, despite the New Year cheer, the sound of bells and firecrackers on all hands, were exceedingly despondent. They gathered together at different centres and talked over the situation in a tone that was the reverse of optimistic and did not appear at all in keeping with the joyous welcome citizens were tendering the infant year, 1909.

Gloomy Prospects.

"Can't understand it," mournfully remarked a hunter in the course of conversation last night. "As a rule there are plenty of duck in Beaver and Elk lakes at this season. And yet I was out there the other day and couldn't sight a pin-tail, a widgeon, a teal, to say nothing of mallard. Couldn't see anything but mud-hens, and, of course, there were plenty of them. Then I was at Sooke, where I have always found quantities of duck and geese about the first of January. This time, however, there weren't any sight. I don't know what's the matter, but unless they come south pretty soon, we're going to have a couple of dull months as far as hunting is concerned and that's all I've got to say about it."

Logical Reasoning.

This is the feeling that prevails everywhere. Though the country round about Victoria was never more attractive to water-fowl there are none apparent. "There must be a reason," was the sage reflection of an enthusiast, in the course of a discussion over the situation at a well known sportsmen's centre on Johnson street. "Yes," he went on, "there must be a reason. And I'm blowed if I don't believe there's something in them reports that we heard about the folks up north gathering the eggs of ducks and geese in the summer time and selling them by the thousands. If they do that, why it isn't hard to see what's spoiling our sport. And it's a darn shame—that's what it is. Why, of course, if the eggs aren't hatched there aren't any ducks or geese—that sounds reasonable, doesn't it? So if there aren't any birds I guess they can't come south. That's what's happening all-right, and mark my words, it won't be many years before we won't get any mallards or brant at all."

A Hollow Bubble!

With these words of wisdom the oracle departed. And not without having made an impression. His reasoning and its irrefutable logic had taken a deep hold on his hearers and the modern Nimrods sauntered out into the cold night and listened to the ringing of bells, the tooting of horns, and all the demonstrative welcome bearing according the New Year without any of the glad anticipation that seemed to animate the crowds of confectioners parading the streets, support.

ATHLETIC TOURNAMENT HAS BEEN ARRANGED

Capt. Duncan Ross Will Meet Prof. Reid in a Sword Contest

A military and athletic tournament will take place on Tuesday evening, the 5th Inst., at the A.O.U.W. hall, the feature of which will be an encounter between Capt. Duncan C. Ross, who holds the world's championship as a mounted swordsman, and Prof. G. C. Reed. The latter is reported to be an expert of no mean ability, and therefore, it is expected that the match will be one of the finest seen here in many a long month.

In addition to this event there will be a lengthy and varied programme. A number of wrestling contests are being arranged, several exhibitions of boxing are contemplated. Scotch and Irish dancing will take place, a potato race is included, and Capt. Ross will perform a number of remarkable feats in swordsmanship.

A practical demonstration of jiu jitsu will be given by Capt. Ross and Matade Kogaree. The latter is a resident of Tacoma and the captain has induced him to come to Victoria that local athletes and sportsmen may be given an insight into the methods adopted by the Japanese in wrestling.

MATCH TOMORROW

Victoria-United and Esquimalt Soccer Teams Play at Hill

The Victoria United and Esquimalt soccer teams will meet in an exhibition match at Beacon hill this morning, which will begin at 10:30 o'clock. This will be the first meeting of the local representative association football eleven, the men who will unite in the defense of Victoria's claim to the Island championship, have assembled and therefore the game is of peculiar interest. It is reported that the Esquimalts are exceptionally strong. Alex Peden, president of the Victoria United club, is anxious to make the best of the sport offered. The United team will be selected from the following: Lovage, Nyland, Johnson, Schwengeler, Hughes, Shanks, Grant, McGhee, Falvey, Butt, Wilson, and Williams.

JOHNSON TO DRAW "THE COLOR LINE"

Reported That Colored Champion Will Refuse Matches With "White Trash"

Jack Johnson, the stalwart negro who wrested the championship from Tommy Burns the other day, is going to draw the color line! Yes, that is the latest gossip among the fight fans. The announcement has caused more than a mild sensation. That the big mahogany pugilist, the best of modern heavyweights and the first dark skinned warrior to obtain possession of the coveted belt, should take such a mean advantage of the place he has attained as to say, figuratively, "stand back, all you white trash. I'm the whole cheese just now, and the sooner you understand it the better" is almost incomprehensible. If the situation were void of the redeeming element of humor it would be galling. As it is, the sports of America don't find it much to their liking, and the sentiment is especially strong among the southerners.

There are a few of the latter in Victoria and one was encountered on the street the other day. "What did you think of the fight?" was asked him. His face flared up with unspeakable disgust. He had been a devoted follower of the manly art and was well up in its lore, but the latest episode had spoilt his taste and he didn't want to talk fight any more. "That a man who is described as looking like a huge glistening pillar of mahogany as he stood in the ring should defeat the best we can produce in the way of fighters. Really its almost maddening." Then the news was imparted to him that Johnson, remembering the indignities to which his fellow countrymen who have followed pugilism have been subjected by the action of white boxers in "drawing the color line," had declared that, having attained the summit of his ambition and being the first black champion, he was going to rule the little world of fighters, and none but gentlemen who could prove a pedigree showing that their ancestors were pioneers in the settlement of the wilds of Africa need apply for recognition. The suggestion threw the aforementioned southern enthusiast into wild indignation. Almost literally he clawed the air and, finding no words to give adequate expression to his pent up feelings, he turned on his heels and left, even forgetting the seasonable, though wearisome courtesy, "A Happy New Year."

It must not be supposed, however, that Johnson's triumph is taken very seriously by everyone who is a devotee of the sport. True the report that he has decided to "draw the color line" was somewhat of a shock to them. They didn't know quite how to take it at first but after reflection, they concluded that it could hardly be well founded. "For if he did," they argued, "where would he find competitors in his class among his countrymen who would make profitable competitors? No, it wasn't reasonable. The champion might be proud; and he might be inclined to treat with bitter scorn those over whom he had climbed to his pre-eminent position, but he would hardly isolate himself by drawing the color line. That would mean loss of money. And Burns had taught him a lesson in the gathering of coin which he was not likely to forget. And so the majority have reached the conclusion that the rumor is but canard and are comforting themselves with the reflection that, perhaps, some Caucasian giant will spring up to vindicate the superiority of the physique of their race, or, in default of the unexpected happening, the unbeaten champion Jeffries may be persuaded to don the gloves once again just to take Johnson off his high horse and, at the same time, hand a solarplexus blow to the self-esteem of the colored gentlemen, who, through their mouthpiece, a negro lawyer of Chicago, have said: "The outcome of the Johnson-Burns fight convincingly demonstrates the physical superiority of the negro over the Caucasian race, and as mental ability is based on physical vigor, it won't be long before the negro comes to his own."

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On the Waterfront

OVERHAULING NEW PRINCESS

Charlotte's Furnishings Being
Gone Over and She is Be-
ing Made Ready

WILL START WORK SOON

May Relieve Princess Victoria
While That Vessel Pre-
pares for Summer

The new steamer Princess Charlotte is being made ready for service, and after the furnishings have been gone over, carpets laid and other interior work completed, she will be taken to Esquimalt to be hauled out to be cleaned and painted after her long voyage from the Clyde. It is expected the new liner will be ready for service about Jan. 15, and about that time or soon thereafter, she will replace the steamer Princess Victoria while that vessel undergoes her annual overhauling in readiness for the summer service. Capt. Griffin and the majority of the crew of the Princess Victoria will probably be transferred when the Princess Charlotte is ready to enter service. The crew which brought the steamer from England is being paid off and most of the officers and men will leave at once to return to the Atlantic. Some have decided to remain. Since the barricading built up by the Fairfields before sending the steamer on her voyage to Victoria was removed the appearance of the new liner is much improved and she has been greatly admired by the hundreds who have visited the C. P. R. wharf to inspect her.

The coming of the Princess Charlotte has demonstrated that the wharf space of the C. P. R. facing Belleville street is none too ample now to accommodate the rapidly growing fleet and the question of extension will be a live one before others vessels are added.

Like the Princess Ena, when she came from the yards of the Graysons at Liverpool, the new liner has her port of registry given as Vancouver. On the stern and on the boats appears "Princess Charlotte, Vancouver." On the Princess Ena the name was changed after arrival. It will probably also be changed on the new liner, just added to the local fleet.

It is expected that the coming season will be a record-breaking one with regard to the travel between Victoria, Seattle and Vancouver. The Alaska-Yukon Exposition will be opened at Seattle on Jan. 1, and arrangements have been made to route a large proportion of the travel via Victoria and Vancouver. It is expected that the travel enjoyed by the Princess Victoria and Princess Charlotte will be very large. During July of last year the steamer Princess Victoria carried 23,000 people, and approximately as many during the succeeding months of the summer season. It is expected that both steamers will carry a much larger number of passengers next summer.

Epoch-Making

The coming of the new Princess is not only an epoch-making incident in local shipping history, but it marks the climax of remarkable development during the last two decades. It is not out of the memory of the young men, much less the old, that such steamers as the George E. Starr, North Pacific, Utopia, Rossie and others were considered ample for the service between Victoria and Seattle. With the building of the new Princesses of the C. P. R. this company proved that the day of the little hookers had gone and that there was a big travel to be enjoyed if suitable steamers were provided. It was with this knowledge that the Princess Victoria was planned.

The steamer was considered by those who looked only to the moment as too expensive, too costly to operate. She made money, having paid for herself some time ago. The Princess Charlotte will make money. She cost \$600,000 and will probably cost at least \$20,000 a month to operate her, but she will clear, perhaps, about half of her cost above the cost of operation during the coming summer, at least this is the expectation of some experienced shipping men.

Capt. C. Troop, who brought the Princess Charlotte to Victoria from Glasgow, since his arrival has met several old friends. Capt. Troop was in command of one of the C. P. R. liners on the Atlantic, and Capt. Davis of the steamer Agapanthus now at Esquimalt. He is also a former master of an Atlantic liner running into Montreal. He and Capt. Kinney, master of the Senator, who hails from Capt. Troop's birthplace in Nova Scotia, foregathered with the master of the new Princess.

TEES HAD STORMY TRIP ON WEST COAST

Was Driven From Shelter in Nootka Sound During Gale of Last Week

The steamer Tees, which reached port yesterday from Capt. Scott and way ports of the west coast, had a stormy passage, and during the Christmas Day gale had to steam out of Deseret Bay, where she had anchored owing to the storm. She dragged at her anchors with sheets of water lifted

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Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 52 miles an hour.
Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy, wind east, 60 miles an hour. Out, French ship Laennec.
Tatoosh, 2 p.m.—In, steamer Queen, San Francisco for Victoria.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 57 miles an hour. In, schooner Deahaks at 12:30 p.m.; steamer Yucatan off Cape Beale at 6 p.m.

By Wireless
Cape Lazo, 8 a.m.—Part cloudy, calm. Bar. 30.05, temp. 28. Sea smooth.

Point Grey, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, calm. Bar. 30.04, temp. 31.

Tatoosh, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 52 miles an hour. Bar. 30.01, temp. 39.

Pachena, 8 a.m.—Cloudy, a light northeast breeze. Bar. 29.90, temp. 36. Sea smooth. A small two-masted steamer passed up at 7:30 a.m.

Tatoosh, noon—Cloudy, wind east, 60 miles an hour. Bar. 30.02, temp. 40. Passed in, two-masted steamer at 7:50 a.m. Passed out, ship Laennec, at 8:30 a.m.

Pachena, noon—Cloudy, wind northeast. Bar. 29.92, temp. 40. Sea smooth.

Estevan, noon—Clear, light easterly breeze. Bar. 29.92, temp. 40. Sea smooth.

Cape Lazo, noon—Clear and calm. Bar. 30.12, temp. 33. Sea moderate.

Point Grey, noon—Clear and calm. Bar. 30.07, temp. 34. Out, steamer Comox, 10:40 a.m. In, steamer with yellow funnel, two masts, white hull, clipper bow, looks like private steamer, at 10:30 a.m.; steamer Camosun at 11:10 a.m.

Cape Lazo, 6 p.m.—Clear and calm. Bar. 30.06, temp. 31. Sea smooth. Passed south off Chatham point at 12:30 in Seymour narrows at 5:50 p.m., the steamer Portland.

Point Grey, 6 p.m.—Clear and calm. Bar. 29.98, temp. 32.

Tatoosh, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, wind east, 57 miles an hour. Bar. 29.94, temp. 40. In, schooner Deahaks, at 12:30 p.m.; steamer Queen at 1:40 p.m.; steamer Yuatan off Cape Beale at 6 p.m.

Estevan, 6 p.m.—Clear, light easterly wind. Bar. 29.90, temp. 35. Sea smooth. No shipping.

Pachena, 6 p.m.—Cloudy, wind northeast. Bar. 29.88, temp. 38. Sea smooth. No shipping.

over her, and the wind blowing down the bay as down a funnel seemed as if it would lift the steamer from the water. Shelter was obtained in Plum Bay. When leaving Nootka sound the steamer again sheltered at Friend Cove, but the wind blew so strong that the two anchors were lifted and the steamer put out to sea, rolling and laboring.

There was a fair complement of passengers and slim freight, the only cargo on board being some slabs of marble from the quarries on Nootka sound for Alex. Stewart, of this city. The passengers included C. F. Betterly, the well known mill man; H. Bruce and wife, from San Juan; W. Garrard, timber man, and wife, from Alberni; Christopher Anderson, J. Hartwell, A. S. Gwyne, Dr. West, F. Gowen, J. Drinkwater, of Alberni; H. Garrard, from the Lennard Island lighthouse, bound to England, and several others.

Capt. Gillam, chief officer of the steamer, was in command, Capt. Townsend having remained ashore for the Christmas holiday. The steamer will sail again tonight for Clayoquot and way ports.

FISHING FLEET WAS DAMAGED BY STORM

Celestial Empire Had Narrow Escape From Going Ashore During the Christmas Gale

Advices from Prince Rupert state that the gale of last week, which did considerable damage in this vicinity, is reported to have had a disastrous effect on the fishing boats in Heceta strait also, where several of the New England fish company's boats were caught in the storm and suffered heavy losses.

The Celestial Empire was unable to make shelter and anchored for the night in the open. Toward morning the anchor chains snapped and the big boat drifted before the wind. She had been drifting some time before the crew were aware of what had happened, and her condition was discovered just in time to prevent her from being dashed to pieces on Rose Spit rocks. Besides losing her anchors and about 60 fathoms of cable, the decks were swept by the high seas, and all her fishing tackle washed overboard. The loss will total up several hundred dollars. The Kingfisher lost two anchors and about the same amount of cable chain, but suffered no other damage. They finally succeeded in reaching a harbor where there was good shelter, and where they were permitted to remain by the Canadian fisheries cruisers until the storm had abated.

On account of rough weather the catch was very small, not exceeding sixteen thousand pounds, which with the losses sustained will make a very unprofitable voyage.

The Canadian fisheries cruisers Falcon and Restless, which were in port for Christmas, report Heceta strait deserted, all of the fishing fleet having left for Seattle, where they will remain until after the holidays.

Reports from Neah bay yesterday announced that the United States revenue cutter Manning had arrived to take up her station for the purpose of rendering aid to vessels in distress. The Manning will be detailed here during the winter and officers of the service ask the assistance of the press and shipping interests in getting word promptly to the Manning. Capt. W. H. Cushing, senior captain of the service, is located at Port Townsend, to whom requests for aid should be sent.

VERY POOR SEASON FOR SAILING SHIPS

Vessels Leave Esquimalt to Load—Outlook for Disengaged Craft Very Bad

The British ship Arranmore was towed to Tacoma from Esquimalt yesterday by the tug Pioneer and the Chilean ship Ricart de Soler was towed from Royal Roads to the sound port by the tug Richard Holyoke. The tug Lorne took the Lord Shaftesbury to the Fraser river to load lumber and will tow the bark Ivanhoe, the first vessel to load at the mills above the bridge, to sea on her way to the west coast of South America. The Senator, Halewood, Carradale and the steamer Agapanthus are still awaiting charter.

The sailing ship situation is seemingly becoming worse. For a considerable period, sailing vessels have suffered very severely from the acute depression in the shipping trade, and at the present time it is practically impossible for them to obtain any profitable employment. Faced by ruinous competition with steam in all parts of the globe, and with no prospect of improvement in the near future, it is not surprising that owners of "old type of carrier" are parting with their vessels to the foreigner as opportunity occurs. Many fine clipper vessels of British registry, have recently changed flags at prices which result in an enormous loss of capital to the shareholders who in most instances have little or no return on their investment for some years past. During last month six British-owned iron and steel ships, totalling 8,122 tons register, and representing about 14,000 tons carrying capacity, were acquired by foreigners for £22,000. Of these, two (totalling £6,475 tons reg.) went to Norway for £6,075, and two to Germany (4,250 tons total reg.) for £2,150. In addition to the above three vessels changed hands but retain the flag.

All this year the shipping trade wisseacres have been urging upon owners the necessity of laying up their ships until a marked improvement in the freight situation took place. This advice has been heeded to a large extent and the reports from the principal ports show that there has been a very pronounced increase in the steamers arriving to lie up. At the Tynne, for instance, one of the cheapest laying-up places, there are today, according to local estimate, not fewer than 110 steamers laid up. The buoys in the lower reaches of the river are full; in the upper reaches there is no more room. But does this universal idleness pay, and is it not a costly business to lay up vessels? So far this year, to lay a vessel idle has simply meant to keep her in debt, whereas in employment, there might have been a chance of a lucky charter turning up to wipe off some of the accumulated indebtedness due to earlier unremunerative voyaging. Yet in the face of the great crisis which is facing the trade there is still talk of organized opposition to keep up rates. In almost all cases this has meant serious losses to the owners who elected to stand as champions of a hopeless cause, while others were taking in whatever profits could possibly be made.

The sailing ship situation on the Pacific coast today affords a good illustration of the desperate fight for life which owners are now waging. Since the Sailing Ship Owners' International union was organized, union owners have had things pretty much their own way in the Pacific grain trade. It is safe to say that the bulk of grain charters were made at union rates, although a few fixtures were from time to time reported at slightly lower figures. Last year, the United States government chartered an immense amount of steam tonnage to carry coal from the Atlantic to the Pacific seaboard. In most cases these vessels were sent out unfixed homeward, so that so much outside tonnage was thrown upon the open market as soon as the government closed their charters. These steamers in their hurry to leave the coast accepted whatever rates were prevailing and as low as 23s 9d was reported upon several occasions. In the meantime, windjammers were constantly arriving. Some, it is true, were loaded at the union minimum rate of 27s 6d, but they had been fixed long before the season opened. Meanwhile many idle vessels are lying at Victoria and other North Pacific ports. Some of the French windjammers which came from Europe via Hobart in ballast have been ordered to Australia, and perhaps it is in the direction of the antipodes that a peaceful solution will be found. But the voyaging of French vessels is so much wrapped up in mystery that it is useless to attempt solving the problem of their navigation. To them distances are nothing; cargoes incon siderate trifles. Sailing, as in the words of Ruskin, with "hempen bridle and the winds of Heaven in harness," and no coal bill to pay, they valiantly plough the seas. The bounties pay the portage bill et vague la galere.

The Vancouver World says the steamer Lonsdale of the Canadian-Mexican line was driven into English bay on Friday. The world says: Crossing the gulf with only one boiler working, the Lonsdale was caught broadside on by the freshening gale. Something went wrong with her engines or steering gear, and she began to turn around like a top, finally bringing up off Point Grey within perilous distance of the Spanish bank. A high sea driven by the furiously increasing gale, carried her into the bay and she drifted helplessly toward the mouth of False creek. Excitement ran high and people began to gather in crowds on the pier and along the beach, expecting to see the apparently derelict steamship become a wreck on the sandy shore of English bay or demolish the pier. Both anchors were out, but without power and before such a wind, she dragged the hooks, and the chief officer, with a boat's crew roved ashore in a frantic effort to obtain the services of a tug. None could be obtained, as the tugs' crews were all ashore for Christmas day. The captain of the Lonsdale put out kedge anchors, and with the abating of the storm managed to secure a hold and eventually worked her way stern foremost to deeper water, assisted by the increased steam power from another boiler put into commission.

Electrification of Street Railways

In 1900 only a little more than 15 per cent. of the total mileage of the street and interurban railway systems of the United States was operated by electricity. There were then 8,123 miles of such lines. The total for 1907 was a little less than 29,000 miles, less than 2 per cent. of which was operated by electricity. The total for 1908 was 32,377 miles. In 1909 only 2,337 miles were so operated, while the figures for last year are 776 miles. Electricity is now used on more than 38,000 miles of street and interurban lines in the United States.

Within ten years the number of cars used on selected lines of street lines has increased from 55,772 to 80,204. This is twice the total number of passenger cars in the United States. The electric street railway system has been increased by about 43,000 miles and the others by about 23,000 miles. The capital stock of the street railway systems now exceeds \$2,000,000,000, or more than double the capital of all the street and interurban lines ten years ago.

Using round figures, the trackage of the country stands thus: New England, 5,000 miles; Central States, 15,000 miles; Southern States, 2,000 miles; and Western States, 5,000 miles. The capitalization of the New England lines is on a basis of an average of about \$36,000 per mile as compared with an average of about \$8,000 per mile for the rest of the country.

In the group classed as "Eastern States" capitalization exceeds \$80,000 per mile, while the average for New York State alone is about \$10,000 a mile.

Word is being awaited from Sydney of the arrival of the three sailing craft which left the Sound 76 days ago to race to the Australian port. The ships are the schooner Inca, barkentine James Tuft, and bark Olympic. None have made a smart passage, or they would have been heard from two weeks ago. The barkentine Amaranth, known as a steady performer, arrived at Sydney from the Sound in sixty days on her recent passage. Backers of the Inca, James Tuft and Olympic expected that they would make their destination under sixty days.

The Inca loaded at Ballard, finishing October 10, and leaving Port Townsend three days later, after slipping crew. The James Tuft took cargo at Tacoma, finishing the same date as the Inca, and towing from Townsend behind the tug that took the Inca. However, the weather was stormy outside and the vessels lay in Clallam bay until October 17. In the meantime

the Olympic, which loaded at Mukilteo and Bellingham, made ready for sea and passed out, October 17, a few hours ahead of her rivals.

The race is of particular interest in demonstrating the respective merits of the three rigs represented in this fleet.

RUPERT CITY WILL CARRY AN EXCURSION

Leaves Vancouver on Monday Bound to Prince Rupert on Her Maiden Voyage

The steamer Rupert City, the latest addition to the Mackenzie Steamship company's fleet, will leave Vancouver on Monday at 9 p.m. with an excursion party of business men and others bound to Prince Rupert. Tickets for the trip are being sold by the Greer, Courtney and Sceno company in this city, the price arranged for five days' round trip being \$15. The Rupert City which was formerly the Watts Watts steamer Powhatan, has been overhauled and improved since her arrival at Hongkong. Extra houses and saloons have been built on the vessel and she has been equipped with wireless telegraphic apparatus.

The Blue Funnel line steamer Cyclops from Liverpool for this port arrived at Hongkong on Tuesday on her way here.

United States customs officials at Bellingham yesterday seized the Danish ship Jupiter and until arrangements are made for the release of Capt. Funder, to secure a bill of health before sailing from Liverpool, Eng., April 16, the ship will be in charge of the customs office. The vessel is now loading for Valparaiso at the plant of the E. K. Wood Lumber company. Capt. Funder declares that when he sailed from England he could not get his health papers for the reason that the consul was out of the city. The absence of the papers was discovered when the vessel made Seattle to discharge creosote. The captain was allowed to proceed to Bellingham. The seizure was made upon the order of the treasury department.

The steamer Kitsap, which has been replacing the Indianapolis on the Seattle-Tacoma route, broke her shaft, threw her bronze screw and unshipped her rudder on Wednesday. The steamer Telegraph took off her passengers and the disabled steamer was picked up by the steamer Lydia Thompson and towed to Seattle. The steamer Chippewa, which has been undergoing an overhauling since she was replaced on the Victoria-Tacoma route by the steamer Whatcom, took the place of the damaged steamer in the Seattle-Tacoma service. The Chippewa will remain in that service until Jan. 5 when it is expected the Indianapolis will be ready to resume.

After being stormbound for five or six days, five sailing ships put to sea on Wednesday. Since last week's heavy southerly gale, conditions have not been favorable for putting out, and the outward bound fleet sought shelter in Clallam and Neah bays. On Wednesday a strong easterly wind sprang up and the masters took advantage of it to make a good offing. In the morning the wind was east, 36 miles an hour, at noon 44 miles an hour, and at 6 p.m. it was blowing at the rate of 46 miles. With this wind the fleet ought to get a splendid start down the coast. The vessels passing out were the British ship Falls of Doe, with lumber for Sydney; American schooner James H. Bruce, with lumber for San Francisco; British ship Agnes Oswald and bark Archibald Russell, with wheat for the United Kingdom, and French ship Admiral Cecile, with lumber for Australia.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. G. Mortimer, of Ottawa, is at the Empress.

Miss Berquist, of Sidney, was in the city yesterday. She returned home by the afternoon V. and S. train.

Mrs. Barrow, of Sidney, returned home by yesterday afternoon's V. and S. train after a short sojourn in the city.

T. Hagan, of Saanichton, was among the passengers on yesterday afternoon's outgoing V. and S. train.

W. S. Butler, of Keatings Crossing, who visited town yesterday on business, returned on the afternoon train.

Mrs. T. Drysdale Veitch of 2665 Douglas street, will not be receiving today through indisposition.

Mrs. Burton, St. Charles street, was hostess last night at a smart dinner party, followed by a small dance.

Mrs. C. Rhodes is leaving early in the New Year for California, where she intends spending about three months.

Dr. H. A. Brown, veterinarian, who has been practicing in Vancouver, has removed his office to this city.

Mr. H. Galer and Mr. A. Laidlaw, of Spokane, arrived in town last evening and are registered at the Empress.

Miss Stevens has returned to the city after spending a few days with Miss Piercy at Royal Oak.

Mr. G. H. Bevan Pritchard, of Cobble Hill, called at the Tourist Association rooms yesterday.

Mrs. Simpson-Hayes is leaving Victoria on Saturday for the east and expects to be absent for about two months.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gidley, of Duncan, were among those who arrived from up the line on yesterday's noon train. They are registered at the King Edward hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Fulerton, Miss Mainwaring-Johnson, and Miss Troup, were among the Victorians who went up on Thursday morning's boat to attend the Vancouver Club.

Mr. S. Mogi, a Japanese merchant from the city of Toronto, and Mr. T. Wyeda, of Tokio, arrived in the city last evening and are staying at the Empress.

Miss Blakemore and Mr. Lloyd Hall came over on the Princess Victoria from Vancouver yesterday to spend the week end with Mr. W. Blakemore at "Wulfenna," Belcher street.

Mrs. D. Boyce Sprague, of Winnipeg, arrived in town last evening and was met by her friend, Mrs. R. Simpson Hayes, of Oak Bay. Both ladies are staying at the Empress.

Rev. John and Mrs. Antle, who have been staying at the Empress, returned to Vancouver upon this morning's boat. Rev. Mr. Antle will at once proceed to his field of work on the north-east coast of this island in the mission steamer Columbia.

A dance was held at Sidney last night, having been arranged for the purpose of enabling the residents of the district to fittingly celebrate New Year's eve. There was a large attendance. The music was unexceptional and the floor in fine condition. Quite a number of Victorians, who have friends with homes in the farming community, left by yesterday's train in order to participate in the enjoyment of the occasion.

A fancy dress ball will be given at the A.O.I.W. Hall on the evening of Friday, January 8th, under the auspices of the Imitation club. This has been decided by the officials of the organization in response to a generally expressed desire on the part of the members that such an affair be arranged. In view of the departure from the regular custom of a monthly dance the latter event will not take place, or rather it will be merged with the fancy dress gathering. The usual committee is in charge of the preparations and they extend their assurance that the music will be the best obtainable and that the floor will be in just as fine condition as human ingenuity can make it. The programme will commence at 8:30 o'clock and the last selection, it is understood, will be rendered just before 2 a. m. The ladies of the club have agreed to supply refreshments, a committee, in charge of the Misses Boni and Grant, taking that important feature in hand. It is announced that admittance will not be granted unless membership tickets be presented at the door.

The coming in of the New Year was celebrated in a very enthusiastic manner at the Empress. A special late supper had been arranged, at which tables were booked by many well known Victoria people. The supper, which was served in the dining room, was exceedingly dainty. The tables were most beautifully decorated, in the centre of each being rustic baskets filled with moss, carnations, pointsettias, hyacinths and asparagus fern. At the end of the dining room was suspended a huge Union Jack, which was exceedingly dainty. The tables were most beautifully decorated, in the centre of each being rustic baskets filled with moss, carnations, pointsettias, hyacinths and asparagus fern.

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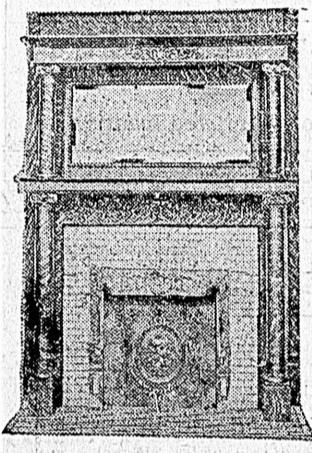
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J. S. FLOYD,
Clerk.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Referring to the marvellous development of the Canadian Northwest, the New York Wall Street Journal has an interesting allusion to British Columbia. We quote:

Alberta and British Columbia possess the greatest quantity of coal in the world, outside, perhaps of Pennsylvania, and its adjoining states. British Columbia possesses lumber resources greater than all the states of the union east of the Rocky Mountains. British Columbia is, moreover, now recognized as the orchard of the empire. The Canadian Northwest is now drawing 100,000 of America's best farm population away to the virgin lands to the north. That country is being developed and it is remembered that the climate of Alberta and Saskatchewan is the climate of Germany, and that Edmonton and Berlin have the same climate and latitude. The Mackenzie valley will grow the finer wheat and more of it than the Missouri valley on the Arkansas just as the valley of the Neva will grow, is, and for like causes.

Professor Fernow, dean of forestry department of the University of Toronto, has written an important letter to the Toronto Globe. As the subject of which it treats is of special interest to the people of British Columbia, we quote it in full:

"If your readers are interested in the development of a forest policy in Canada they will read with satisfaction the following resolution lately passed by the Wisconsin Lumbermen's association, and it is almost certain to be enacted in the legislature. It is significant to note that this is the voluntary expression of the timberland owners as a result of this year's forest fires, which in Wisconsin ran over perhaps two and a half million acres. Two years ago they were still laughing at the half-mad proposition of foresters to burn the brush. They are now at last convinced that it can and should be done:

"Section 1. Any person who shall cut, or cause to be cut, any logs, bolts, pulpwood, ties, poles, posts or other forest products in any of the counties designated in section 4 of this act shall pile the tops and refuse as the cutting proceeds, and shall within one year from such cutting and felling burn all such piles of refuse and tops, and in such burning all reasonable care shall be taken not to damage standing timber or adjoining property. The term 'burning' shall be construed to mean the destruction by fire of so much of such slashings as would become easily combustible material and dangerous in event they were not so destroyed, but no burning shall be done during dangerously dry weather."

"Section 2. Any person who violates any of the provisions in regard to the burning of slashings, refuse, etc., shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall on conviction therefor be punished by a fine of not less than fifty (50) cents, nor more than two dollars (\$2.00) per thousand feet log scale for all timber; not less than twenty-five (25) cents, nor more than one dollar (\$1.00) per cord for all bolts, pulpwood, cord wood or bark; and not less than ten (10) per cent. of the full cash value of other forest products cut and removed from such land."

"Section 3. In case any person fails to properly pile and burn the tops and refuse the State Board of Forestry may in its discretion cause the same to be done and the expense thereof shall be a lien on the timber or other forest product cut from the land on which the tops and refuse are situated or cut, and shall also be a lien upon the land itself. Proceedings for the enforcement of such lien shall be instituted by the District Attorney of the county in which the cutting was done at the request of the State Board of Forestry and in the name of the State of Wisconsin as claimant; and costs shall be recovered in the usual manner."

An Ottawa correspondent gives some figures showing the tremendous falling off in immigration, compared with the previous year—the decrease being no less than forty-six per cent.

The total immigration to Canada for the eleven months ending November 30, 1908, was 143,754, as compared with 268,337 during the corresponding months of 1907, a decrease of 124,583, or 46 per cent. Immigration via ocean ports for the same period was 89,483, as compared with 214,726 for the corresponding period last year, a decrease of 125,243, or 59 per cent. Immigration from the United States was 52,271, as against 53,611 last year, an increase of 660. During the last month, 7,053 immigrants arrived in Canada, as compared with 14,265 for November, 1907, a decrease of 7,230, or 51 per cent. Of the arrivals for November, 3,002 were through ocean ports and 4,033 from the United States.

Following are some striking statements found in an article by Andrew Carnegie in the January number of *The World's Work*:

"In the future labor is to rise still higher. The joint stock form opens the door to the participation of labor as shareholder in every branch of business. In this, the writer believes, lies the final and enduring solution of the labor question. Nothing can stand against the direct management of owners. We are only pioneers, whose duty is to start the movement, leaving to our successors its full and free development as human society advances."

An editorial note states that the article is taken from Mr. Carnegie's new book, "Problems of Today," and that it is published in the magazine "because of the remarkable—it might be called even sensational—forecast that he makes of the continued improvement in the position of labor till profit-sharing does. Its perfect work and the laborer and the capitalist becomes the same man."

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The British Colonist, Friday Morning, January 1, 1869.

With mingled regret and satisfaction we have to chronicle the early departure of Father Maloney, so long and favorably known as connected with St. Andrew's Cathedral, Humboldt street. Regret that he is leaving our midst; satisfaction in knowing that he is appreciated by his fellow countrymen in San Francisco, where he has a unanimous call. The members of the congregation of St. Andrew's have made up a purse containing a handsome sum, which was presented to him yesterday and appropriately acknowledged.

The race yesterday between Harris' horse "Royal Bill" and Smith's horse "John" was a very one-sided affair as it turned out. The horses at starting were both in first-rate order, and John took the lead, which he maintained during the first half of the race. "Royal Bill," however, resumed his "Royal" prerogative and shot ahead of John at such a rate as to reach the winning post nearly fifty yards in advance. The race was for half a mile only, and very little money changed hands on the result. The concourse was not large.

Taken for all in all, while we do not think that the Colony will receive any very large addition to its population during the year which has just opened, the improved aspect of its productive and commercial interests is so great that we experience a feeling of sincere pleasure in wishing our readers "A Happy and Prosperous New Year."

ABOUT PEOPLE

Mr. Stead holds that we'll sleep too little rather than too much, and in the December Review of Reviews he prints the opinions of a number of well-known men and women on the subject. Mr. William Russell wants from 9 to 9½ hours' sleep; Sir George Lewis, Sir Robert Ball, Sir Edwin Ray Lankester need from 8 to 9 hours; Mr. Walter Crane is satisfied with 8, and so is Dr. Clifford, Lord Esher, Sir John Gorst, Mr. Edmund Gosse, Mr. Frederic Harrison, Sir Oliver Lodge, the Marquis of Ripon, Sir Henry Roscoe, the Countess of Warwick and others. Many persons find 7 hours long enough.

Sir Theodore Martin, who is ninety-one, requires only 6 hours; Sir Charles Wyndham 5½-6; Ellen Terry 4 to 6; G. R. Sims 4 to 5; Professor Sir W. M. Ramsay 3 to 4, while Sir F. C. Burnand takes "as much as he can get." Lord Meath, Sir Henry Roscoe, Dr. Clifford, Mr. Silas Hocking, and Mr. Forbes Robertson like a short nap after lunch. Sir Walter Gilbey requires an hour. Miss Ellen Terry sleeps with regularity for half an hour at 4 p.m. Mr. H. Beerbom Tree likes to sleep for three-quarters of an hour before his night's work, as he finds that he has a greater store of energy by taking this pre-labour rest. Sir Charles Wyndham has fifteen minutes between five and seven. General Sir Ian Hamilton likes ten minutes at 5.30. Mr. Frederic Harrison has a nap in the afternoon and in the evening also. "For occasional slumber," says Mr. Massingham, "I have always found the House of Commons invaluable." As to the usual hour of retirement, Mr. Haldane gives 3 a.m. The majority go to bed between 11 and 12 o'clock, but the actors and members of Parliament as a rule get to bed at midnight. Lord Avebury goes to bed "early." Mr. W. B. Leader, the artist, retires at 10.30, and Sir Walter Gilbey at the same hour; Mr. W. M. Rossetti goes to bed soon after 10; Sir Theodore Martin used to go to bed at 1 o'clock, but now, in his eightieth year, he does not stop up later than 11; Sir W. M. Ramsay says he goes to bed as early as social conditions permit; Dr. Clifford goes to bed at 10 when he gets a chance in the summer, but he finds it difficult to retire at 11 o'clock in the winter when the meetings are on.

The remedies suggested for insomnia are many and various. Lord Esher reads a book; Sir Robert Ball suggests "PICKWICK," a page or two will suffice; Lord Avebury recommends reading some book on subjects far removed from the current affairs of life," and says "half a glass of milk often helps." Sir Frederick Treves declares for a simple diet, fresh air at night, and outdoor exercise in the day." Mr. Massingham is almost alone in recommending counting numbers; Mr. Thomas Burt, M. P., quotes poetry to himself when he cannot sleep; Dr. Whyte, of Edinburgh, falls back upon "hymns and psalms and spiritual songs; the Speaker declares for reading and a glass of hot milk; Miss Ellen Terry suggests not thinking upon one's work, but "think of those we care for most, and particularly of little children." Mr. Frederic Harrison has never suffered from insomnia, a good fortune which he attributes to "very sparing food and little meat, and, secondly, exercise in the open air of at least two or three hours."

The shamrock will be very much in evidence at the wedding of Miss Olive Wingfield, the eldest sister of Lord Powerscourt and granddaughter of Lord Leicester to Mr. Van de Weyer. The bride's forbears have been the Daily Chronicle, been associated with Wexford and Wicklow for eight generations at least. She was reared at Powerscourt, situated in the beautiful glens of Wicklow, and within sight of the Seven Churches, and is deeply devoted to the country of her birth. Miss Wingfield has elected to wear a white satin wedding gown, covered with a design of shamrocks. The same emblem will be interwoven with the flowers in her bouquet, which will be gathered in the gardens of her old home at Enniskerry. The wedding favors will also come from County Wicklow.

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Quebec Judgments

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—Justice Carroll, of the superior court, former solicitor-general of Canada, succeeds the late Judge Blanchet on the court of the King's bench of Quebec. Justice Carroll is succeeded by Mr. Turgeon, of Three Rivers.

For Care of Children

Toronto, Dec. 31.—President Roosevelt has invited the provincial government to send a representative to the conference to be held in Washington on January 25 and 26 for the purpose of discussing matters relating to the care of destitute children. The government has accepted the invitation, and will send J. J. Kelso, superintendent of neglected children, as its representative.

BRITISH OPINION

Belfast Whig:—It is a familiar device, but it implies an assumption which in this case cannot be made—that the country has been so much in the dark as to what has been going on that it is unaware of the blunders and the weaknesses and the incomparable fatuity which have characterised the Government's action and policy. The country has appreciated the position too accurately to accept as an explanation of the Government's failures the action of the House of Lords. It has fully recognised that in the course which the Lords have taken they have been actuated by a correct view of their constitutional office, which is to ensure that there shall not be imposed upon the country legislation which is not endorsed by public opinion. On a dispassionate review of the action of the Lords during the Session which is drawing to a close and since the present Government came into office, it will appear that the Lords have done nothing in which they might not justifiably hold that they had the support of the constituencies. Of course this is denied by the Government, but the denial is entirely without impressiveness by reason of the fact that those who denounce the Lords so bitterly have not the courage to put the matter to the test by appealing to the country. The spokesmen of the Government are ready to go all lengths in the way of abusive language about the Lords, but it all ends in abuse. The reluctance to take the verdict of the electors on the question is conclusive proof of the insincerity of the campaign which it is being attempted to promote against the Upper House. That campaign is bound to fail—in fact, it has failed already. The indignation which the rejection of the Licensing Bill was said to have aroused has not been put in evidence. The country has not departed from the even tenor of its way, and it has shown not the slightest tendency to respond to the fulminations of Radical demagogues against the Upper House. That there is need of reform in the House of Lords is freely granted; it is admitted by the Lords themselves, who, it may be assumed, are in general agreement with the recommendations of Lord Rosebery's Commission. But the policy to which the Government is committed, which in so far as it has been declared, is that of the late Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, is wholly destructive. Lord Lansdowne, the Solicitor-General for Scotland, is credited with the statement that the Campbell-Bannerman resolutions, which really abolish the veto of the House of Lords and reduce it to utility, will be brought forward again. This policy simply means government by a single chamber, and this, being so, is destined to be repudiated most emphatically by the country, which has no mind to place itself at the mercy of an irresponsible and tyrannical House of Commons. If the Government has any doubt as to how its plans in respect to the suppression of the Upper House are viewed by the country there is an easy and constitutional method of ascertaining its opinion. But the only thing upon which it is able to make up its mind is that it will not appeal to the country. Mr. Ure, it appears, holds that the Government should complete its program. What that program is he did not indicate, but if the legislation which is contemplated is on the same lines as that which has been rejected and abandoned the completion of the program is far enough off. The issue has been raised as to the position of the House of Lords. Until it is determined it is idle to talk of going on with the legislative program as if nothing had happened.

The Daily Chronicle says:—The House of Lords have decided to pass the Mines (Eight Hours) Bill, though with important amendments. We have to be thankful for small mercies, and it is something that the Lords have not made themselves the tool of the "Coal Consumers' League" as well as of the brewers' and the brewery debenture-holders. Lord Lansdowne's explanation was instructive. We could wish that Lord Lansdowne had in other matters shown this proper deference to Ministers and the House of Commons. The difference in his attitude now suggests that the real inducement was not so much a recognition of Ministerial responsibility as certain other and prudential reasons. Lord Lansdowne touched upon them last night, but they may all be summed up in that previous saying of his that the Lords must always be careful to choose "ground as favorable as possible to themselves." Lord Lansdowne clearly considers that to flout the claims of the miners would not be favorable ground. Mr. Balfour's speech in the City last night brings us back though he seemed unconscious of the fact, to the issue between Lords and Commons. The speech was an eloquent defense of two institutions which he deems essential to the good government of this country. One is the two-party system; the other is the two-chamber system. His keen sense of logic ought to show him that the maintenance of each of these institutions in its integrity demands some effective change in the present relations between Lords and Commons. For as things are we live during half our time under an effective two-chamber system, but under what is practically one-chamber rule, whilst during the other half the two-party system has no chance of full or free play.

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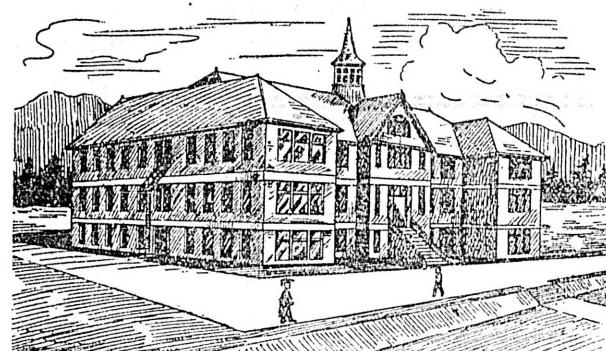
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